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*Submitted to His Highness.*

I submit herewith for the gracious perusal of His Highness a copy of the report dated the 22nd April 1942 received from the Inspector General of Police on the recent rioting at the Kolar Gold Field.

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Bangalore,

23rd April 1942.

**Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja.**

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Report dated the 22nd April 1942 received from the Inspector General of Police on the recent rioting at the Kolar Gold Field.

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**Report dated the 22nd April 1942 received from the Inspector-General of Police on the recent rioting at the Kolar Gold Field.**

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14. All urgent or confidential files returned with His Highness' orders may, in the absence of instructions or indications to the contrary, be ordinarily circulated to the Ministers for perusal after the issue of orders.

16. The Secretaries concerned should see that orders in the cases referred to above are issued at once and that the files are returned immediately after, to the Chief Secretary for circulation to the Ministers.

17. In all other cases, the files will first be circulated to the Ministers at Headquarters and then sent to the Secretariat concerned for the issue of orders.

Circulated to Council of Ministers for perusal of His Highness' orders before/after issue of orders. (*Vide* Rules 14, 16 and 17 of the Subsidiary Rules for the conduct of business of Council in the Mysore Government Business Rules.) (*)

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*Chief Secretary to Government.*

Through the Secretary to Government,

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Minister for Law. 29/4

Minister for Education. 30-4-42

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Report No.268/41-42 dated the 22nd April 1942 from the Inspector-General of Police in Mysore

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I have the honour to submit the following report on the recent rioting at Kolar Gold Field which culminated in the Police opening fire on the evening of Sunday, the 19th instant.

On the evening of Saturday, the 18th instant, some of the employees of the Champion Reef Mines who belonged to the Adi Dravida Jana Sabha were holding a meeting in their camp. About 300 persons had assembled. The object of the meeting was to unveil a portrait of the late Sir A.T.Pannir Selvam. When this meeting was going on, about 300 employees of the same mine with the congress flag rushed to the meeting, assaulted the chairman and the speaker, smashed the furniture and broke up the meeting hurling stones and soda water bottles at the audience. Seven persons among the audience were injured by these missiles. They were sent to the hospital for treatment the same evening. A complaint was laid before the Police about these incidents. The Police registered the case, visited the spot and held a Mahazar. When the Police were holding this Mahazar, a crowd of about 1000 employees who were the sympathisers of the victims arrived at the spot, apparently to avenge themselves. They were persuaded to go back. Strong Police pickets were placed in this area.

Next morning, i.e., Sunday, a crowd of about 400 labourers started from the Oorgaum Lines shouting slogans "Down with the Congress - down with Chengalaraya Reddi" towards Robertsonpet and pulled down the congress flags which had been hoisted on the premises of the K. Chengalaraya Reddi Youth League Sangham and Azad Youth League Sangham. Information about this incident having reached the opposite party, they also flocked in large numbers to resist them. A clash was averted by the persuasions of the Special Magistrate who happened to be at the spot. Both the parties then dispersed.

Later in the afternoon, the Police received information that the employees of the Champion Reef Mine who were the followers of the congress were arming themselves with lathis and other missiles and intended to hold a demonstration in the evening in the "Nehru Maidan". In the meanwhile, the District Magistrate arrived from Kolar and promulgated an order under section 39, Mysore Police Act banning processions and meetings. This order was announced by the beat of tom tom in the localities concerned. As the day advanced, crowds began to appear here and there, armed with sticks and lathis. Notwithstanding the prohibitory order of the District Magistrate, these people converged on the Nehru Maidan ostensibly for holding a meeting. The Police followed the crowd and warned them that meetings had been banned by the District Magistrate and that they should not hold any meeting. The crowd agreed to disperse and left

the place in batches. The Police however suspected that the destination of these crowds might be the living Cooly lines of their opponents. Accordingly, the Special Magistrate accompanied by the Police followed them. By this time, the crowd had swollen to about 1500 in number and most of the members of the Crowd had been armed with sticks and lathis. The suspicion of the Police about the destination of the crowd was confirmed as they were heading towards Peri lines where their opponents were living. The crowd suddenly left the public road and cut across the grounds of Epidemic Diseases Hospital towards these Cooly lines. The Special Magistrate with a posse of Provincial Reserve Police men followed them in the Police van and making a de-tour stationed themselves between this crowd and Peri lines where their opponents awaited them. Both the crowds then started hurling stones at each other and at the Police. The Police warned the partisans of the Adi Dravida Yuvajana Sabha to desist and to withdraw. They obeyed the directions of the Police and withdrew into their lines. The other crowd defied the Police and continued to hurl stones and other missiles at them. Seven Police men including the Police Inspector of the "B" Division received minor injuries. One Police Constable of the Provincial Reserve was hit by a stone on his temple and fell down un-conscious bleeding profusely. The crowd persisted in throwing stones at the Police. The Special Magistrate warned the crowd that if they did not desist, he would order the Police to open fire. As the crowd showed no signs of relenting, the Special Magistrate thereupon ordered the Police to open fire. Four Police Constables of the Provincial Reserve were told off for this purpose. The first man advanced and warned the crowd and fired one shot. It had no effect. The crowd continued to pelt stones. Three other Police Constables then fired one shot each simultaneously. One man was shot and fell down. On seeing this, the crowd receded and quieted down at once. The Special Magistrate thereupon ordered the Police to cease fire. The body of the dead man was taken possession of and sent to Bowringpet under the orders of the District Magistrate for holding an inquest and post mortem examination. The crowd dispersed. The sticks and lathis and stones that were lying strewn about on the scene were collected. The only casualty caused by the firing is one killed. No other casualties have occurred.

The Police have registered cases against both the parties and it is ascertained that the culprits have been arrested. Everything is quiet since the last two days.

"CMs"

Chief Secy to Govt.

R. A. Das,
PRESIDENT
ADIDRAVIDA JANA SABA, K. G. F.
AND
ADIDRAVIDA CENTRAL FEDERATION,
North Arcot District.

OFFICE OF THE MINISTER OF LAW
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Mysore Mine,
Marikuppam, K.G.F.

Date 20th April 1942.

To,
A.V. Ramanathan, Esq B.A.
Minister of Law, Government of Mysore,
Viswaswarapuram, BANGALORE.

We, the members of the Depressed Class Community, most humbly beg to bring to your kind notice that we have been organizing meetings both for the uplift of our community and the War Efforts at this area amidst the increasing troubles of the Congress people who drag our innocent community to disloyality and anti-war movements. In one of the meetings held on 18th April 1942 at 6 P.M. at Champion Reef a mob of Congress hooligans rushed at our meeting in a large number with their tricolour flag, pelting stones, charging with lathies. A confusion prevailed admidst which the Congress hooligans outraged the Mysore Flag and the - British Flag which being hoisted were flowing and torn them into rags trampling over them with such a savage fierceness and then after, all the furniture were broken

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Though the Police recorded the statements, yet, it has been our humble desire to approach your kindself to kindly issue necessary orders to save our people from the hooliganism of the Congress who garb " Non-Violence" outwardly and exploit the peace of the people who are very poor and helpless.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Yours very sincerely,

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President,
For the members of the A.D.J.Sabha
Kolar Gold Fields.

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**GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE**

*Telegraphic Address*

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**OFFICE OF**
The District Magistrate,
Kolar District,
Camp Oorgaum.

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Date 20th A P R I L 1942

To

The Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore,

B A N G A L O R E.

RE:- RIOTING AT K.G.F. ON THE 18th AND 19th APRIL 1942.

Sir,

In forwarding herewith copies of reports received from the Special Superintendent of Police, Kolar Gold Fields, and the Special Magistrate, Kolar Gold Fields, on the above subject, I have the honor to state that I was at Kolar Gold Fields on the 17th and 18th and returned to Kolar only on the 18th evening at 4. P.M. when every thing was quiet. I got information of the incident on the 18th evening through telephone from the Special Magistrate at 9 P.M. He said that for the time being every thing was quiet. However, I sent the District Superintendent of Police, Kolar, who was in charge of the Kolar Gold Field area too, due to the absence of the permanent Superintendent on casual leave, to Kolar Gold Field early on the 19th morning. On the morning of the 19th further tension developed and both sides having been found in a determined riotous mood, the information was given to me about 11 A.M. by the Special Magistrate and the District Superin-tendent of Police. I arrived here at about 1 P.M. with the Sub-Division Officer, Kolar. On a report from the District Superintendent of Police that there was tension on both sides which may result in a serious breach of peace, I passed an order under Section 39 of the Mysore Police Act, operative for a month and sent it out for service and publication. About 3 P.M. I went with the Officers to Robertsonpet to have the shops opened and to watch the situation. I got as many shops as possible opened giving shop keepers an assurance that we are there to protect them. We got information at 3. 30 P.M. that Congress processions would join in Neharu Maidan and may proceed to retaliate the labourers of the Oorgaum Mines. I stayed in the King George Hall and sent the Special Magistrate, the Sub-Division Officer and the

the District Superintendent of Police to watch the situation and inform me from time to time. About 4.30 P.M. the Officers came and told me that the crowd proceeding to Neharu Maidan defied the prohibitory order and dispersed only after meeting in the Maidan But the dispersal was only to rejoin from various lanes on the road to Oorgaum lines. It was obvious they were bent upon attacking and punishing the Oorgaum Miners for pulling out the Congress flags in the morning. I hurried the officers and Police Van to follow them until they pass beyond the Oorgaum lines. After few minutes, I felt anxious and followed and I found that the Congress party had, as anticipated, rushed towards the Perry line of the Oorgaum Mines and come into a clash with the Oorgaum people, causing injury to Police Officers, necessitating the opening of fire resulting in the death of one person. If they had not been stopped at this point, they would have gone into the Oorgaum lines and there would have been a big fight and heavy bloodshed and to disperse them from the huts would also have been a difficult job.. I sent the dead body for post-mortem to Bowringpet as the crowd gradually shifted to Hospital and as there would be a sensation again if the body was sent there. The injured Police men were sent to the Civil Hospital for treatment.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

DISTRICT MAGISTRATE, KOLAR DT.

Report on the occurrences in Kolar Gold Field
on the 18th & 19th April 1942

I beg to submit the following report of the events that occurred on 18th and 19th April that culminated in the Police firing on 19th evening.

On the 18th instant at about 5 p.m. there was a meeting arranged by the workers of the Adridravidajana Sabha at "N" Block in Champion Reef Mine area. About 300 persons had assembled When the meeting was in progress and Adimoolam was speaking, a party of about 100 persons led by Raman, holding the congress flag went in the cooly lines round about the place to this meeting shouting to the people to come and join them as there would be a congress meeting at ~~K~~K.C.R. Maidan. About 200 more persons joined them and then the crowd of 300 headed by Raman. Mahimanatnan, K. Perumal, M.C. Perumal, Dorai, Sait, Subramani, Dakshina. Murugesh, Krishna came to the place where the meeting of the Adi-dravidajana Sabha was going on. K. Perumal spoke to the gathering of this 300 persons near the place of the meeting and advanced by himself to the dias that had been put up and asked Adimoolam as to who permitted the holding of the meeting there and whether it was a fact that he mentioned that K.C.R. (Mr. K. Chanagalaraya Reddi) would be turned out of the Mines. Adimoolam denied having stated so and said that they were holding the meeting as the Adidravidas wanted to hold the meeting there. K. Perumal gave a hit on his face with his fist and Adimoolam fell down. Taking the clue the other persons who had followed this congress party began to pelt stones, throw soda-water bottles on the gathering that had assembled

there. They rushed to the place and pulled down the pandal and broke the chair, tables. benches and stools and destroyed the photos of Sir A.T. Pannir Seluvam and other photos together with the Mysore and British flags that had been ~~kpet~~ kept at that place. It is reported that the congress party took away the damaged photos and flags while leaving the place before the police arrived The soda bottles were kept there by the Adidravidajanasabha people for distributing them to the invitees at the meeting The broken furniture and the soda-water bottles and stones and the remains of the pendal material have been seized by the police for purposes of further investigation. A case is also taken on file on the complaint received from Adimoolam in this matter. Just at the time a Mahazar was being recorded in connection with the investigation of this case, the members of the Adidravidajana Sabha of the Oorgaum Lines numbering about 1,000 strong headed by T.K. Perumal, Seetha and others came to that place on hearing the incident and wanted to proceed towards "B" Block in the Champion Reef Mine, to wreak their vengeance on the congress party people in connection with this incident. Both the Police Inspectors and other Police Officers who were present at the place advised the leaders not to resort to objectionable methods and take the law into their own hands. After much persuasion the leaders of this party were prevailed upon to go back to their lines, and they dispersed from there peacefully. As a result of the throwing of ~~stones~~ and ~~sticks~~, soda-water bottles by the congress party of the Champion Reef - Murugesh of Oorgaum Mine, T. Munisami of Oorgaum, T.K.Perumal of Oorgaum, Irulchen of Oorgaum, Adimoolam of Champion, Sadasivan (about 14 years of age) of Champion, and another Perumal were injured. They have gone to the houses probably to get treated.

The same evening there were two meetings held by the congress party people one in "D" Block Line in Champion Reef at 5.30 p.m. and another at Robertsonpet.

The speeches delivered at these two meetings by Mr. Sundararaja Iyengar of Kuppam are objectionable.

On the morning of the 19th instant at about 7 a.m. a party of Corgaum labourers - about 3 to 4 hundred - went round the lines in Corgaum line shouting "Down with the Congress, Down with Changalaraya Reddi". At about 8.15, this crowd came near the Khadi Vasthralaya in Robertsonpet and created a scene there. Some members of the crowd got up to the roof and pulled down the congress flag and damaged the board hung up in front of the shop. Then they proceeded to the Azad Youth League Sangham and pulled down the congress flag from that building; and then proceeded to K.C.R. Youth League Sangham building in the IV Cross Road of Robertsonpet. By that time the members of the Youth League party in Robertsonpet arrived there armed with lathies pulled out from carts coming to the shandy and also made out of poles ~~pulled out~~ picked up from the roof of the buildings round ~~about~~ the K.C.R. Youth League Sangham. The Police Inspector and other police officers that were present advised both the parties who were pelting stones at each other to behave properly and not to give room for unlawful acts. The members of the congress party became very defiant and began to challenge the police and declared that they would go at all costs to the Peri Lines armed themselves with clubs and lathies and see that consequences would follow. Krishnaiah Setti, Nanjunda Modaliyar, Siddiah setti, Seluvan, Yethirajalu and Prajabhushana Sarma of the congress party behaved defiantly towards the police. Then the Inspector prevailed upnn Seetha, Logananthan and others of the Corgaum Adidravidajanasabha party to go back to their lines and sent them away. Then the members of the Youth League

party headed by the persons referred to above proceeded to the Azad Youth League building and hoisted the congress flag there and convened a public meeting there. Sambandham and Krishniah setti spoke on the occasion and ~~xxxxxxxxx~~ appealed to those who were present to follow them each one armed himself with a lathi and be prepared to shed his blood if need be. All of them said that they were prepared to follow them with lathies. Then they all proceeded to the Nehru maidan. The Police Inspector and other officers advised them there also not to take the law into their own hands and not to go to Oorgaum lines, and excite the feelings of the people there. Even then Nanjunda Modaliyar and Sambandham said that they would not care for the police and that they would go at any cost to Oorgaum lines. The Police Inspector sent information to the ~~xxx~~ D.S.P. and the Robertsonpet Police Station about the situation and followed the crowd. By the time this crowd came near the maternity hospital compound at Robertsonpet, going round the Azad Youth League, Nehru Vasthralaya and market, the Reserve Police Party, the D.S.P. and the magistrate arrived at the place and the crowd was stopped there. Even the presence of the D.S.P. and the Magistrate was of no avail. When the Reserve Police were posted to barricade the road, the congress party stopped there and after much discussion, Nanjunda Mudaliyar ~~xxxxxx~~ agteed to send back his men if the police officers and their party withdrew. When this was done, the said Nanjunda Mudaliyar made a pretence of withdrawing and ultimately directed the mob to go to the South and take the road towards the Health Officers Bungalow (in the road behind the Health Officer's Bungalow). The mob accordingly rushed south in the said road and rushed to the hospital compound. The Police Party rushed down the main road

to the hospital compound and stopped there. Then they stayed there for nearly half an hour and with great reluctance went back to Robertsonpet to Venkataramanswami temple. It was about 12.30 p.m. They met in the compound of the Venkataramaneswami temple and decided to hold a meeting in the evening to consider what action could be taken thereafter

In the afternoon a report was placed before the District Magistrate regarding the strained feelings between the two parties and the tense situation that existed at the moment. The District Magistrate was pleased to pass an order under section 30 Mysore Police Act prohibiting carrying of arms, cudgels and other weapons, collection of stones and other missiles, making of speeches at public meetings, delivery of any harangues of any kind of public utterances of cries, ~~shouting or cries~~, singing of songs etc. in K.G.F. area and five miles around

At about 2.30 p.m. the Police Inspector received information that about 8 hundred people of Champion Reef mine have armed themselves with lathies made of bamboo purchased from the shops in Andersonpet and that they were likely to move towards Oorgaum Lines. Extra reserve Police were sent to the cemetary to prevent these persons from going over to the Oorgaum Lines. The Police pickets had also been posted at the Travellers Bungalow and the hospital. The prohibitory order issued by the District Magistrate was served by beat of tom tom in Robertsonpet and Andersonpet and in the mining area. At about 3.30 p.m. a party of 200 congress youth league people armed with lathies came from Robertsonpet, Suramml Circle carrying the congress flag. The police stopped them at the Circle and told the leaders Sambandham, Krishniah Setty, Siddiah Setti, Prajabhushana Sarma that there was a prohibitory

order by the District Magistrate prohibiting the purchase and c arrying of arms and asked them to take the order. They refused to take the order and said that they wanted to see the Deputy Commissioner.

The Police Inspector took the leaders Sambandham, Krishnaiah Setti, Ramachandra Nanjunda Modaliyar and Siddiah setti towards King George Hall as the Deputy Commissioner was at the King George Hall at the time. The mob began to follow the leaders shouting to them not to take the prohibitory order. The Superintendent of Police advised the leaders to take the order but they refused. The entire mob wanted to interview the Deputy Commissioner with a view to question him regarding the propriety of the order. They did not agree to any suggestion that one or two leaders may interview the Deputy Commissioner. The mob proceeded twoards Pritchard Road. In about five minutes information was received that a big crowd numbering about a thousand was coming from Champion Reef side towards Robertsonspet armed with lathies. The D.S.P., the Magistrate with a party of armed police accompaned by Krishniah Setti and Sambandham who were sent for , proceeded in the Maharaja road to stop the Champion Reef party. The crowd from Champion Reef came to Maharaja Road by then. They were stopped by the police and were advised to get back to their houses. While discussions were going on the Youth League Party people of Robertsonpet came and joined them. All of them insisted that they should go to Nehru maidan in Robertsonpet and hold a meeting there and that they would not otherwise disperse. They were then allowed to go to Nehru maidan. While the mob was proceeding to Nehru maidan some of the persons who had no weapons were supplied with lattas pro-
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-pared out of casaurine poles from the upstair of the K.C.R. Youth league. About that time information was received that a large crowd of members belonging to Justice party and Adidravidajanasabha were coming towards Robertsonpet from the Oorgaum Mines. On verification it was ascertained that the groups of persons sighted were not justice party people or Adidravidajanasabha people but were congress party people of Champion Reef. It was also ascertained that all the people of Peri Line at Oorgaum had collected in their lines to meet any onslaught that may be made by the congress people. The Youth League Party people and the Champion Reef Congress people that went towards Nehru maidan were joined there by the Brick ~~Kaxkexy~~ making Factory people. On being advised by the Magistrate and the Police to disperse, they disappeared and went towards Prichard Road. They collected together again near the Market and came to Surajmal Circle. When they came there, they could see the people of the Peri Line assembled near the Drama Hall. Seeing this, all of them rushed towards the Peri Line in the open maidan through the compound of the E.D. Hospital. The Inspector, B Division, with the Party of the Reserve Police and local police that was near the Surajmul Circle got down from the bus with the parties, sent informatio to the Deputy Commissioner at the King George Hall and the Robertsonpet officers at-
police about the situation and followed the congress Station
party people who were armed with lathies and loose stones. He overcame (took) the congress party people about 20 yards in front of Kamala Nehru Khaddar stores. Seeing the congress crowd rushing towards the Peri Line the people assembled near the Oorgaum Drama Hall began to proceed towards the E.D. Hospital compound. When they were within 100 yards of each other the congress party people began to throw stones and the Oorgaum people who were not armed picked

up the stones lying about and retaliated. As the Oorgaum Party was in a higher level and as the stones from that side were coming forcibly the Congress party had to withdraw some distance. Then the Police formed a cordon in between and the Inspector advised the Peri Line people to withdraw and go away. They listened to the advises of the Police Inspector and withdrew and ceased pelting stones. Taking advantage of this position ~~on~~ the congress party people began to pelt stones at the police and the Oorgaum people. By this time the Special Magistrate and the Sub-divisional officer and the D.S.P. arrived at the place and reserve police that was posted at the Travellers Bungal also arrived at the place. The D.S.P. and the Sub-divisiona officer advised the people that had collected near the Malayali Line to clear away and they went away from that place. The Special Magistrate advised the congress party people to abstain from throwing stones and advancing further. By that time Daffedar Anthony and P.C. 631 Muddalingiah had received some hits and were injured on the knee and the forehead respectively. Besides the Inspectors and some other constables had also received some injuries. Inspite of the caution given by the Magistrate about the the consequences they persisted in throwing the stones and advancing towards the Oorgaum Lines. P.R.P. Constables Nanjunda Rao ~~Nanjunda Rao~~, Thirumaliah, Abdul Rahiman and Yesvantha Rao were also hit and received injuries. Of these Nanjunda Rao got a hit on his right temple and was bleeding heavily and fell down. Then the magistrate issued orders to the police Inspector, B Division who was at the spot to open fire. Subedar Abdulla who was in charge of the P.R.P. Force there, divided the party of 20 P.Cs. into five sections under the orders of the Inspector of the B Division and ordered P.C.149 of the I Section to open fire after ~~gxing~~ giving the necessary caution. P.C.149 advanced

with his rifle a little further from his section and shouted to the people that firing has been ordered and that they must disperse from the place. He stepped back and reported the fact of his having given caution. As there was no sign of the crowd dispersing and as they continued to pelt stones and advance, Subedar Abdulla asked P.C. 149 to shoot one round. He fired a shot but missed. As the crowd showed no signs of dispersing but continued to throw stones and advance he ordered P.Cs. 508,326, 503 of the I Section to fire in a volley. When they fired one round, one person was shot down and the crowd began to run back. The magistrate ordered the fire may cease. Firing ceased and the crowd had all collected just behind the trees about 5 yards from the dead body. The Police Party advanced to take the dead body when the crowd retreated and went to the railway-station road and the Civil hospital. The police removed the dead body and the injured people and dispersed the crowd that was still standing in groups. The stones that were lying about the place and the lathies left by some of the persons retreating were seized by the Police. A lathi also was lying by the side of the dead body near the hand of the deceased. That was also seized.

The District Magistrate ordered the Inquest on the dead body to be held by the ex-officio II Class Magte., Kolar. After the inquest and autopsy was held the body was handed over to the relatives of the deceased.

Reinforcements from Kolar and Bangalore arrived and pickets were posted during the night in addition to to the mobile patrol party. The situation is now quiet.

Two cases in respect of the morning and the evening incidents on the 19th instant are registered - one against the members of Adi-Dravida Jana Sabha and the other against those of the Congress, Azad Youth League and K. C. R. Youth League and are being investigated.

Sd D. Visweswara Iyer,

SPECIAL SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE,
KOLAR GOLD FIELDS.

" C O P Y "

20/4/42

DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,
KOLAR DT.

Champion Reefs,

Dated, 20th April 1942.

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Dear Sir,

Day before yesterday at about 8-30 p.m., while I was near the T.B., I came to know that there was some disturbance in the cooly lines near the Gifford Shaft road. I went in that road and ascertained from the constables on the road that some congress people behaved rudely pulling down the pendal etc., and beat with soda bottles A.D.Labourers while they were conducting a meeting in the pendal in N.Block at about 6 p.m., and that the situation was under control and that the police were attending to drawing up the mahazars. After I went home I got a message from the Police Inspector, Champion Reefs, from the Civil Hospital that the injured had been removed to the Hospital and that one was admitted as an inpatient as the injuries on the forehead were serious and that four more were treated as outpatients and that while the police were drawing up mahazar about 1000 labourers came from Oorgaum lines and that they were pacified and sent back. I asked him to post a strong patrol in the disturbed area. I informed this fact to you by phone.

Yesterday morning I left my bungalow at 8 a.m., to go to the shandy on inspection duty. At the Civil Hospital I went in and enquired about the injured of the previous evening. While I was making enquiries in the hospital I heard that a crowd was running from the Oorgaum side. By the time I came out of the hospital compound I saw a big crowd rushing through the Munsiff Court compound. Most of them had clubs and sticks in their hands. There were a few police constables running along with them and trying to prevent them. Some one got up Azad's Youth League building and pulled down the Congress flag. I rushed to Robertsonpet police station and sent a phone message to S.S.P.'s bungalow and Oorgaum police station to get at the S.S.P., as he was expected and ask him to send P.R.P. immediately.

I went to Robertsonpet market and gave the staff warning about the mob rushing and asked them to be careful. As the crowd was said to be going towards the 4th Cross Road I went to the Maharaja Road. A large number had collected behind the George Hall. The Congress people came from the 4th Cross Road. They were more than 500. They wanted to rush towards the Peri lines to avenge themselves for the other party having removed the congress flag. They were asked to turn back. They wanted justice to be done by taking action against these people. They were told that all this would be enquired into and that they may disperse. They promised to disperse after putting up the congress flag. They put it up in the 1st Cross Road and then rushed to Railway station Road. I followed and phoned again to the Oorgaum station and in the Surajmull circle sent two buses for bringing P.R.P.men. By that time the mob rushed to Kamala Nehru Vastralaya and put up the congress flag. I asked the crowd to get back from here as promised. After much pursuasion they began to disperse slowly. By that time the first instalmen of P.R.P.men came from Oorgaum. Then the mob began to move towards the market. The S.S.P., joined me near the police station. The P.R.P.men were detailed for duty for the market and T.B., and also behind the E.D.Hospital. The Congress crowd over 500 in number came in the Carr Road. One portion came in the regular road and another portion through cross road and joined in the maternity hospital compound. There were - lathies, sticks, etc. They wanted to rush to Peri lines. After much pursuasion they agreed to go back if the police withdrew. The police were withdrawn but the congress people rushed behind the Medical Officer of Health's bungalow and from there went behind the High School. So we had to rush the P.R.P.,men to the maidan by the side of the High School and after a good deal of pursuasion they went back and stayed behind the High School and later on went towards Robertsonpet.

Myself and the S.S.P., came back to Robertsonpet leaving the other police officers there. I went to the Robertsonpet market and asked the stall-holders to open their shops as many had been closed. At about 1 p.m.. everything was brought under control.

Orders passed by the District Magistrate prohibiting meetings, processions and carrying of arms cudgels, stones etc., were published by beat of tom tom at about 3 p.m. The District Magistrate also passed through the market and other portions advising people not to be panicky. It was stated that some congress people had purchased some bamboos in the afternoon and it was ascertained at the Venkataramanaswamy temple that a party of about 200 congress people with casuarina sticks and latties had visited the temple about 1 o'clock. After we reached the King George Hall there was information that Congressites were preparing to go to the cooly lines armed with latties and that a large crowd similarly armed was coming from Champion Reefs side. Two batches of congress crowds with latties met near the junction of the Maharaja Road and 2nd cross road behind the King George Hall They were informed of the order of the District Magistrate prohibiting processions and meetings. Then they said they were going to Nehru maidan to convene a meeting and that we may intimate the people in the maidan of the prohibitory orders and that they would then disperse. These two batches were allowed to go towards the maidan. The S.S.P., and Sub Division Magistrate went towards the hospital side to induce the Peri lines crowd to go back. After the people reached the Nehru maidan they hoisted the flag and they were induced to disperse. They were dispersing in small groups and going in the direction of the temple. Another group of 200 people armed with latties came in the 6th cross-road. It was feared that there would be a clash, but those people proved to be workers of the - Brick making company who were sympathisers of the congress. They too went towards the temple. I came back to King George

George Hall. There was a crowd leading towards the Surajmull circle in the Carr Road. Myself, S.S.P., and Sub Division Magistrate followed. From the Surajmull circle the crowd cut across in the E.D.Hospital compound. We then rushed in the police van and turned to the Malayalee line and went towards the drama Hall. There was a large crowd of over 1500 congress people pelting stones from the E.D.Hospital compound. There was another large crowd of 6 or 8 hundred labourers near the drama hall and between the two the police picket had been stationed. After getting down from the van we rushed. Stones were coming from the congress crowd in the E.D.Hospital compound. We shouted not to throw stones but to keep back. But the congress people were pelting stones and advancing. I too missed 5 stones very narrowly. S.S.P. and S.D.O., rushed toward the side of the drama hall to control the crowd that had assembled near the Malayalee Lines. I remained near the police - shouting all the while to the congress party to stop pelting and that shooting order would be given if they persisted. I stood in front and shouted that order to fire would be given if they did not desist. The crowd was then about 60 yards from the police but was pressing towards it. A P.R.P., constable got a stone hit and fell down. The situation was serious. If the congress crowd were allowed to advance there was every chance of the police being overpowered and the congress people rushing to the Oorgaum labourers standing near the drama hall resulting in a hand to hand fight. It was absolutely necessary to prevent it and the only way was by ordering the opening of fire. Hence I ordered the Inspector Mr. Hanumanthiah to open fire. One P.R.P.man stepped forward, gave the usual warning and then fired a shot. It had no effect. The crowd was still rushing, and pelting stones. Three more people fired. One man fell down dead and the people turned back and stood still. I ordered the fire to cease. The wounded men were removed to the

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constables simultaneously

the hospital, and the body of the man who was shot was put into a van and sent to Bowringpet under orders of the District Magistrate. The sticks and lathies and stones that were lying round about were collected. A lathi also was lying near the ~~hmx~~ hand of the dead person.

The police then marched towards the congress group waiting in the Carr Road and E.D.Hospital premises and then they went away from the place.

The opening of the fire was at about 4-30 p.m.

Yours sincerely,
Sd/ C. Ramachendra Rao,

To
T. Ramaiya, Esq., B.A (Hons)
District Magistrate, Kolar Dist,
Camp Oorgaum.

" C O P Y "

20/4/42. DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,
KOLAR DIST.

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R. A. Das,
PRESIDENT
ADIDRAVIDA JANA SABA, K. G. F.
AND
ADIDRAVIDA CENTRAL FEDERATION,
North Arcot District

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MYSORE MINE, MARIKUPPAM, P.O.

KOLAR GOLD FIELDS.

Date 21 st April 1942.

To

A.V.Ramanathan, Esq.,

Minister of Law,
BANGALORE.

RESOLUTIONS.

The Committee of Adi-Dravida Jana Saba of K.G.F. held an emergent meeting on the 21st April,1942, at 5.30.P.M. at Marikuppam under the Presidentship of Mr.R.A.Doss, the President of the Saba and discussed over the unprovoked aggression of the Congress people and passed the following resolutions unanimously.

I. The Committee appeals to H. H. Government of Mysore and H.M Government that the Congressmen launched and unprovoked aggression by tearing the Mysore flag and British flag into rags, the Photoes of His Highness and the leaders into pieces, breaking the furnitures into pieces, and injuring the people with lathies stones, and Soda water bottles in a public meeting held at Championreefs on 18.4.42. for the upliftment of the Community and to promote the war efforts and loyalty against the alien influences and inducements, and requests both H. H. Government of Mysore and H. M. Government to help the Community against the Hooliganism of the Congressmen.

2. This Committee resolves most solemnly that they would never watch or tolerate any insult being made on H. H. Government of Mysore or H. M. Government and that they would sacrifice every thing belonging to them in the struggle if challenged.

3. This Committee most vehemently reproaches the outward Non-violent policy of the Congress and most resolutely condemns the Congress leaders who in the guise of Presidents of Labbur Unions resort methods such as this base and desperate act on the Community, to strengthen the Congress movement at this area and warns most severely that such vile tacties would be met with suitably to bring shame and defeat to Congress .

4. This Committee appeals to the Community people where ever they are to stand against Congress which most basely duiped us in Poona Pact and to stand always by Government and its orders.

5. This Committee expresses the condolence to the breaved family of Mr. Munisamy who innocently faught against his own Community on Congress side and lost his life and also expresses its sympathy to all those innocents who were wounded on the occasion.

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**POLICE DEPARTMENT.**

OFFICE OF THE
INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE IN MYSORE,

No. 268/41-42/S.B

*Bangalore, dated*.....April 22, 1942.....

FROM

M. SESHADRI, ESQ., M.A.,
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Later in the afternoon, the Police received information that the employees of the Champion Reef Mines who were the followers of the congress were arming themselves with Lathis and other missiles and intended to hold a demonstration in the evening in the "Nehru Maidan." In the meanwhile, the District Magistrate arrived from Kolar and promulgated an order under section 39 Mysore Police Act banning processions and meetings. This order was announced by the beat of tom tom in the localities concerned. As the day advanced, crowds began to appear here and there, armed with sticks and lathis. Notwithstanding the prohibitory order of the District Magistrate, these people converged ~~at~~ the Nehru maidan ostensibly for ~~the~~ holding a meeting. The Police ~~arrested~~ followed the crowd and warned them that meetings have been banned by the District Magistrate and that they should not hold any meeting. The crowd agreed to disperse and left the place in batches. The Police however suspected that the destination of these crowds might be the living Cooly lines of their opponents. Accordingly, the Special Magistrate accompanied by the Police followed them. By this time, the crowd had swollen to about 1500 in number and ~~noticed~~ most of that the members of the crowd had been armed with sticks and lathis. The suspicion of the Police about the destination of the crowd was confirmed as they were heading towards Peri lines where the opponents were living. The crowd suddenly left the public road and cut across the grounds of Epidemic Diseases Hospital towards these Cooly lines. The Special Magistrate and with a posse of Provincial Reserve Police men followed them in the Police van and making a de-tour stationed themselves between this ~~ground~~ Crowd and Peri lines where their ~~keep~~ opponents awaited them. Both the crowds then started hurling stones at each other and at the

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The Police have registered cases against both the parties and it is ascertained that the culprits have been arrested. Everything is quiet since the last two days.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

M Venkadas

Inspector-General of Police.

NO. 3745/CB

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SECRET. 23rd April 2

I am desired to enclose for the information of the Hon'ble the Resident a copy of the report received from the Inspector-General of Police in Mysore on the recent rioting at Kolar Gold Field which is reported to have culminated in Police opening fire on the evening of Sunday the 19th instant.

Major A.E.H. Macann,
Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore.

Report No.268/41-42 dated the 22nd April 1942 from the Inspector-General of Police in Mysore.

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I have the honour to submit the following report on the recent rioting at Kolar Gold Field which culminated in the Police opening fire on the evening of Sunday, the 19th instant.

On the evening of Saturday, the 18th instant, some of the employees of the Champion Reef Mines who belonged to the Adi Dravida Jana Sabha were holding a meeting intheir camp. About 300 persons had assembled. The object of the meeting was to unveil a portrait of the late Sir A.T.Pannir Selvam. When this meeting was goin on, about 300 employees of the same mine with the congress flag rushed to the meeting, assaulted the chairman and the speaker, smashed the furniture and broke up the meeting hurling stones and soda water bottles at the audience. Seven persons among the audience were injured by these missiles. They were sent to the hospital for treatment the same evening. A complaint was laid before the Police about these incidents. The Police registered the case, visited the spot and held a Mahazar. When the Police were holding this Mahazar, a crowd of about 1000 employees who were the sympathisers of the victims arrived at the spot, apparently to avenge themselves. They were persuaded to go back. Strong Police pickets were placed in this area.

Next morning, i.e., Sunday, a crowd of about 400 labourers started from the Oorgaum Lines shouting slogans "Down with the Congress - down with Chengalaraya Reddi" towards Robertsonpet and pulled down the congress flags which had been hoisted on the premises of the K. Chengalaraya Reddi Youth League Sangham and Azad Youth League Sangham. Information about this incident having the opposite party, they also flocked in large numbers to resist them. A clash was averted by the persuasions of the Special Magistrate who happened to be at the spot. Both the parties then dispersed.

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E. G. B. PEEL, Esq., C.I.E.,

Inspector-General of Police
in Mysore.

BANGALORE

April 23, 1942.

Subject.- Recent Rioting at K.G.F.

Dear Mr. Mehkri,

In continuation of my report No. S.B.268/41-42 dated yesterday, I am sending herewith a further report received from the Special Superintendent of Police, Kolar Gold Field, regarding the arrest of persons arising out of the above-mentioned disturbance.

Yours Sincerely

M. Seshadri

M.G. Mehkri, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secy. to Govt. of Mysore.

Report No. CC.509/41-42 dated 22nd April 1942 received from the Special Superintendent of Police, Kolar Gold Field.

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*Telegraphic Address*

**OFFICE OF**

THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, KOLAR.

**No.** C.C.20/41-42.
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**Date** 23rd April 1942.

**To**

M.G. Mehkri, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government
of Mysore, Bangalore.

CHIEF SECRETARY, 25 APR. 1942 GOVT. OF MYSORE.

Sir,

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I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
KOLAR DISTRICT.

23/4/42

N. PUTTARANGASWAMY, ESQ., B.Sc.,
Spl. Superintendent of Police.

Champion Reefs,
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T. RAMAIYA, ESQ., B.A., (Hons),
Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District.

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23/4/42.

Deputy Commissioner, Kolar Dt.

N. PUTTARANGASWAMY, ESQ., B.Sc.,
Spl. Superintendent of Police.

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Champion Reefs,
Dated 24th April 1942.

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CC.20/41-42.

Dear Sir,

In continuation of my previous reports, I beg to state that it is reported that the Champion Reef and Mysore Mine coolies received the Dearness Allowance. Some of the coolies of Brick Making Factory were found confusing themselves to refuse to take their pay in case they are asked to take the war allowance of Rs.2-4-0 only.

Tamil printed notices issued by S.R. Shanmugam have been distributed in the cooly lines. He referred to the publication of Sri Mathan's Report by Government and the disunity prevailing here among the coolies unlike the days when they fought unanimously for the publication of the report. He appealed to the labourers to drive out the bad leaders and to remove the ban imposed on A.T. Lakshmana Mudaliar, B. Ramalingam and V.M. Venkatesan and restore them to their jobs.

Copy of the English Translation is enclosed.

Yours sincerely,

SD/- N. PUTTARANGASWAMY

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T. RAMAIYA, ESQ., B.A.,(Hons),
Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District.

Copy in duplicate forwarded, with compliments, to the Superintendent of Police, Special Branch in Mysore, Bangalore.

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Spl. Superintendent of Police
& Kolar Gold Fields.

No. S/41-42/S.B. Bangalore, dated 25th April 1942.

Forwarded with compliments to the Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Mysore, Bangalore, for the information of Government.

Inspector-General of Police
in Mysore.

SUCCESS! SUCCESS!! SUCCESS!!!

Suppressive methods - Animal strength

Selfish gains were never successful in the history. Justice alone was successful Justice alone is the most essential of the weapon for men.

To be in power is to give growth for the just acts but not to seek self interests and thereby grow unjust acts.

Labour Brothers! Are we to lose the unity that had flourished during the last strike in view of certain differences?

Labourers! It is a note worthy affair to mention that after a lapse of 1 year 9 months on Saturday the 18th of this month Sri K. Mathan's recommendations have been published.

It will be considered a success only when those recommendations are brought into force. I want to ask the labourers whether this is possible in the presence of existing differences of opinion among the labourers themselves. Hatred, prejudice, self interest cannot achieve the beneficial results of the recommendations. We can only achieve them through our unity and strength. As the Government authorities themselves have published Sri K. Mathan's report I should like to call it a valuable document. So far as I am concerned, I differed in opinion with the past leaders only in connection with publication of Sri Mathan's report. As the Government itself has published the recommendations there is no reason on my part why I should still be hating them. As I was one of the workers during the last strike, it is my duty to welcome the publication of Sri Mathan's recommendations.

I do not think you are not aware of the fact that the fox with joy will suck the blood that is being shed as a result of a fight between two sheep. It must be

you that should drive away the leaders that do bad to you; at the same time welcome those that are of helpful to you. Suppressive methods and Animal Strength were never successful over the just acts. Everybody has got a right to sacrifice. As the success is the result of the sacrifice, no one had got a right to plunder it. Defeat is the result of the dis-unity. Bravery is the most essential factor in the human life. One should not torture because he has got bravery. If a brave man asks for justice but is tortured bravery is intended to bear patiently the torture. This every one of your must know. As the authorities have published Sri Mathan's report every one of you should submerge your differences of opinion and try to bring all the recommendations into force. I have got nothing to say against any body as the recommendations of Sri K. Mathan have been already published. I remind every one of you that you should promote unity.

I have got hatred against nobody since the recommendations have been published already. I request that the labourers will not only remove the prohibitory order imposed on Messrs. A.T.Lakshmana Mudaliar, B. Ramalingam, A. V.M. Venkatesan but also restore us all to our respective jobs.

I expect that the Government will take out the the 17th Section as Sri K. Mathan himself has admitted our evidence before him as just and the Government also have published his recommendations.

Yours well wisher,
S.R. Shanmugam,
Former Labour Sangham Leader.

22/4/42.
National Press,
Thriupathur.

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Spl. Superintendent of Police,
Kolar Gold Fields.

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24/4/42.

N. PUTTARANGASWAMY, ESQ., B.Sc.,
Spl. Superintendent of Police.

Champion Reefs,
Dated 27th April 1942.

CC.509/41-42.

Dear Sir,

In continuation of my previous reports, I beg to state that on the evening of 25-4-42 there was a congress meeting at Gutahalli and Mr. Chengalrai Reddy addressed a gathering of about 300 persons regarding "War and the duties of the people". He had taken his wife and another woman from his village Kyasamballi to the meeting. Mr. M. Rama Reddy of Ganeralahally attended and the gathering consisted of mostly people who had come for the Shandy. Mr. Chengalrai Reddy referred to the war situation and advised the people to stock food grains for at least one year, to buy charkas and commence preparing their own clothes and to follow the A.R.P. rules. He also impressed on the minds of the people that in case the Japanese succeed in their attempts to gain some territory in India, they should completely non-cooperate with them.

Copy of the proceedings is enclosed.

The committee members of the Adidravida Mahajana Sabha of K.G.F. held an emergent meeting on the 21st instant at Marikuppam and a copy of the resolutions passed by them is enclosed herewith.

Two persons Iruchan and Palayam accused in Cr.No.103 of Robertsonpet station were arrested on 26-4-42 and one more by name Rajakannan was arrested to-day. They were produced before the Special 1 Class Magistrate, K.G.F. to-day and as they failed to offer bail they were remanded to Special Lockup.

11 accused as noted below* relating to Cr.No.105/41-42 of Robertsonpet station were also arrested today and produced before the Special Magistrate

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who remanded them to the Special Lockup.

Yours sincerely,

It is further reported that the Contract Quartz coolies of Nandydroog Mine did not receive their pay as they were not given war allowance.

1. Govindaswamy.
2. Govindaraja Naidu
3. Sampangi
4. Braja Bhushana Sharma
5. Purushotham
6. Abbai Setty
7. Pachayappa Mudaliar
8. Goapala Rao
9. Raja Gopal
10. Narayanaswamy
11. K.D. Govindarajalu.

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Mr. T.L.A. Acharya will see the mining Superintendent to-day in this connection.

Yours sincerely,

SD/- N. PUTTARANGASWAMY,

NO 9326

T. RAMAIYA, ESQ., B.A., (Hons),
Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District.

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Copy in duplicate forwarded with compliments, to the Superintendent of Police, Special Branch in Mysore, Bangalore.

Spl. Superintendent of Police,
Kolar Gold Fields.

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No. 2674/41-42/S.B. Bangalore, dated 28th April 1942.

Forwarded with compliments to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Mysore, Bangalore, for the information of Government.

Inspector-General of Police
in Mysore.

Letter from the Chengalvaraya Reddy's address re: Entertainment military Dewan

RESOLUTIONS of the Adidravida Jana Sabha, K.G.F. passed on the 21st April 1942.

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The Committee of Adidravida Jana Sabha of K.G.F. held an emergent meeting on the 21st April 1942, at 5-30 p.m. at Marikuppam under the Presidentship of Mr. R.A. Dass, the President of the Saba and discussed over the unprovoked aggression of the congress people and passed the following resolutions unanimously.

1. The committee appeals to H.H. Government of Mysore and H.M. Government that the congressmen launched an unprovoked aggression by tearing the Mysore Flag and British flag into rags, the Photoes of His Highness and the leaders into pieces, breaking the furnitures into pieces and injuring the people with lathies, stones, and Soda water bottles in a public meeting held at Champion Reefs on 18-4-42., for the upliftment of the community and to promote the war efforts and loyalty against the alien influences and inducements, and requests both H.H. Government of Mysore and H.M. Government to help the community against the hooliganism of the congressmen.

2. This committee resolves most solemnly that they would never watch or tolerate any insult being made on H.H. Government of Mysore or H.M. Government and that they would sacrifice everything belonging to them in the struggle if challenged.

3. This committee most vehemently reproaces the outward Non-violent policy of the congress and most resolutely condemns the congress leaders who in the guise of Presidents of Labour Unions resort methods such as this base and desperate act on the community, to strengthen the congress movement it has created works most secretly that such vile tacties would be met with suitably to bring shame and defeat to congress.

4. This committee appeals to the community people where ever they are to stand against congress which most basely duiped us in Poona Pact and to stand always by Government and its orders.

5. This committee expresses the condolence to the braved family of Mr. Muniswamy who innocently fought against his own community on congress side and lost his life and also expresses its sympathy to all those innocents who were wounded on the occasion.

R.A. Das,

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Spl. Superintendent of Police,
Kolar Gold Fields.

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Proceedings of the Congress meeting held at Guttahally, in the premises of SriVenkataramanaswamy temple, on Saturday the 25th April 1942.

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"If popular leaders are included in the Government, we - people and the Government-can work as one body at this critical juncture. But in the absence of that opportunity, we are prepared to work whole-heartedly to educate the people as to their duty at present and with regard to A.R.P.measures, without giving any room for clash between ourselves and the Govt. The Government are certainly pleased with our attitude. There is only one point at which we, the Congressmen and the Government differ. We boldly assert that we do not want British Rule in India as we are opposed to any other foreign rule in the country, while our Government cannot, though they may feel inwardly the same as we do, give expression to the feeling as they are the subordinates of the British Government. But we do not fear to give expression to what we sincerely feel and believe. It is likely that our Government will be glad to see popular leaders lecturing to the villagers as I am doing. But there is that "Brother or Maternal Uncle or whatever it is"( ) - referring to the British Govt. - who say "Book him up", if anybody speaks against the British", said Mr.K.Chengalaraya Reddy in the course of his address at the meeting held at Guttahally on the 25th April 1942. on "War and the duty of the public".

Mr.Chengalaraya Reddy referred to War and its effects and the several A.R.P.measures and the duty in general of the public at this critical time, in his usual strain.

The speech lasted exactly for an hour and was fairly impressive. The audience numbered about 300 and mainly consisted of villagers that had gathered there on account of shandy.

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The meeting began at 4-40 P.M. At the outset, one Mr.Puttappa of Barli village announced that Mr.K. Chengalaraya Reddy would address the audience presently and requested them to listen to his lecture patiently.

Mr.K.Chengalaraya Reddy next spoke in Telugu to the following effect:-

Brothers and sisters, it will be possible for me to tell you all that I want to say in detail only if you will kindly sit down in your places. To-day we have arranged for this meeting all of a sudden. Probably, I feel, if we had given prior intimation, there would have been a larger gathering here. The one object of our holding the meeting is to give a clear knowledge to you all of the present situation due to War and your duties at

present.

You must have been aware of the Government Order requiring every person having more than 10 Pallas of Ragi and 20 Pallas of paddy, 10 Pallas of rice etc., to furnish the stock he has in the required form. All the Patels and Shanbhogues and Policemen have received orders to take stocks like that according to that order. I do not know what ~~result~~ effect that Order had in these parts. But in other parts it has created much havoc. People, being afraid that the Government would snatch away the food grains from those having stock of them, sold them away at abnormally low prices. For instance at Chintamani Shandy a Khandi of Ragi was sold at Rs.6/-. There are some miscreants who take undue advantage of the state of mind of the people and persuade them to give grains to their custody or threaten them with reporting to the Government that a particular person has a big stock in case he did not give them(the miscreants) the quantity of grains demanded.

The most important object of this meeting is to let you know about the present condition of the country and of the world in general. War was far away from us - till very recently. It was being fought among some nations. But for the last three or four months things are different. The root cause of this war is this. The British are ruling India for the last 150 years. They have been enjoying all the facilities afforded by this country. Germany grew envious of the British and tried to build an Empire for herself. Then Japan similarly thought India which was nearer to her than to Britain would more properly be ruled by her than by the British. So for the last three months, she(Japan) has swallowed Phillipine islands. Malay has been occupied. You must have heard of one Singapore a strong fortification of the British Empire. That also fell and was re-named by the Japanese as "Shonan". Then

The enemy then entered Burma. Important places like Bangoon fell into his hands. That is why we are not getting rice and paddy that were being received previously. And then Andamans where the Indian prisoners would be sent also fell into his hands. Therefore it is that Madras is in danger. The various departments of the Madras Government have been transferred to various headquarters in the interior parts. About 5 lakhs of people left Madras. There is or will be likelihood of communications to places like Madras, Tanjore and Kannambadi being stopped. Motor venicles may stop running owing to scarcity of petrol. There-fore we may not get any supply of food grains from outside, as we were hitherto getting. That is why the Government wanted to take statistics of grains that were available in our State and give adequate supply to those places deficient in them. That is why that Order was passed by the Government - the order with neither the head nor the tail ( ). I am not standing here to criticise the Government. But they lack in power to know or guage the correct standard of understanding of the people. They do not know as to how and in what form the order - such orders should be passed. It should be easily understood by the ryots. They (the Govt.) have passed this unwise, incomplete and unjust order. But after so much havoc has been ensued out of it, there is another order to clarify the meaning of the original order.

If the Police men or Government Officials approach the people to educate them in regard to A.R.P.measures people will not listen to them. They look at the activities of these Government Officials with suspicion. - In Bowringpet, for example, though the Amildar arranged for meetings three times not three persons turned up, - whereas when we held meeting there was a gathering of about 300 rain notwithstanding. Of course, we said -

said more than three quarters of what the Government wanted to say.

At this critical juncture, it is the duty and responsibility as well of every family to store food grains sufficient for at least one year. Do not sell them. Nor should you become dupes to some mischief-mongers, as I already told you in the beginning. If anybody compels you to give food - grains, give us information and we will do the proper Bundobust or even the Government Officials will try to do their best, I hope, in the matter.

And then, as I told you Madras is threatened with imminent war. If Madras falls - let us pray that it does not fall - into the hands of the enemy, his eyes will be set upon Bangalore as it is a Military Centre and a place having important industries etc. On the way from Madras to Bangalore, lie K.G.F., Bethamangala, Kyasamballi etc. K.G.F. and Bethamangala are already declared to be in danger zone, by the Government. Bethamangala will be protected by the Government and steps are already taken to post some reserve Constables. And the Government will do their best. But in the circumstances what are your duties?.

Government will certainly not snatch away your food Grains. Do without any such fear, store food. And then you will have to guard the modesty of your women-folk in the event of Military people going out of bounds. And then again you should protect yourselves against hooligans looting your possessions. Keep your Ragi and rice not in gunny bags or in rooms but store them in utensils and hide them safely.

Agriculturists must take to their work with better sincerity of purpose and grow more food. They may take some lands after putting "Darakhast" and without waiting for the formalities.

One other thing I should like to advise you in is that you will please give up buying unnecessary ~~artificial~~ artificial articles coming from outside. You have got to reduce your expenditure to the minimum consistent with simple decent living.

There is one other important matter. People will be usually

usually afraid of any Police men coming to them, because they think that Police men would take them away for War. I wonder - and at the same time feel sorry - at the ignorance of our ryots. - Nobody has authority to compel you to join the - Army. If anybody does, come and represent to us. It is purely an option of the party joining the Army.

Let us consider the root of all these troubles. Bombs costing about 15 to 30 thousand rupees are - wasted. Aeroplanes that are being used in the War cost 2 to 3 lakhs of rupees. Steamers that you hear sunk every now and then will cost a crore or more. In Japan and Germany even boys and girls are engaged in the production of such destructive weapons. Why all this, instead of leading simple lives, virtuous and godly.

The reason is this: The Englishman is not - satisfied with the happiness that he derives out of his possession in his country. Food products in his country are not sufficient. He takes raw materials from India and prepares clothes at Manchester etc., and earns a good lot and enjoys happiness at the cost of India. There is no end to our wants. The more we possess the more we want, the more avaricious we become. England took Singapore, Malay, India etc. Germany, in turn, wanted to build a similar empire. Japan argued that China and India are in the East and she had a right to possess them. India - a good cow which gives plenty of milk - both of them (Japan as well as England) want. But if we have the courage to say that we will keep our own cow and give it to nobody else, both the thieves will go away. There is general impression that Japan comes

comes to India to liberate her from British clutches, That is a wrong impression. Japan which was quiet for the last 150 years of British Rule in India and which is fighting against innocent China can never aspire for India unless to further her own designs, in this country. That is why we say we must resist aggression by the Japanese. You should completely non-co-operate with them. Do not give them water, food etc. It may be that we have no weapon and we cannot with - any benefit bare ourselves to the bombs. But certainly nobody will be foolish enough to waste a bomb worth about 15 to 30 thousand Rupees. So you need not fear about your being bombed. But do not welcome the Japanese into the country. With that determination, self-respect, and sacrifice we must face the Japanese aggression.

Another point I wish to make clear. With the same spirit that we oppose the aggression of Japan or Germany, we must see that foreign domination in India is removed. We do not want Germany or Japan. Nor do we want the British Rule ( ). We want a Government responsible to the people and working for their welfare. You may ask if Mysore is not ruled by our own people. Yes: but they are controlled by the Resident in Cantonment, Viceroy in Delhi and therefore by the white man in White Hall. The hands of the Mysore Government are not free. Therefore, for instance, the Government may have to adopt the "Scorched Earth" policy though they may not like it. By that policy, the Kolar Gold Fields, Sivasamudram, Aeroplane Factory etc., may be blown in order to render them useless to the enemy. But thereby we will be losing half the revenue for the State. To avoid such unjust acts and to safeguard

Copy of [illegible] Secret letter [illegible], dated the 16th May 1943, from the Secretary to the Government of India, addressed to the Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Mysore.

Subject:- Celebration of Victory in North African campaign.

I am directed to inform you that the Government of India have had for some time under their consideration the question whether the final defeat of the Axis forces in Tunisia should be marked by public celebrations throughout India. They are of opinion that such celebrations will have an excellent effect upon the public morale, provided that they are not of a character to suggest to the uninformed and misinformed that the worst of the war is over, that the end is in sight, or that there is any justification for relaxing the war effort.

2. As regards the European theatre of war, it must be clearly borne in upon the public that the victory in Tunisia signifies merely the end of the phase which began with El-Alamein, and the conclusion of the North African campaign, and that by far the most serious portion of the struggle in that theatre still lies ahead. As regards India, it must be emphasised that while success in North Africa removes one part of the threat to her western frontier, the operations against Japan are not immediately affected, and that great sacrifice and effort will still be necessary before final victory in that theatre can be attained.

3. The Government of India have given the following general outlines of a provisional programme and have expressed the hope that the local civil authorities, in co-operation with His Majesty's forces wherever these are present, and with influential members of the public, will unite in an endeavour to make the celebrations a success.

4. His Excellency the Viceroy has been pleased to signify his intention of broadcasting a short statement to the Princes and people of India on the significance of the final defeat of the Axis forces in Tunisia, and of announcing at the same time the date fixed for the celebrations and the declaration of a public holiday on that date. The date will be fixed not more than a week after His Excellency's announcement.

5. Military parades or marches of all services and arms, including the women's Auxiliary Corps, India, will be arranged wherever possible and the Government of India hope that the Police forces, A.R.P. Services, N.V.S., and other civilian organisations will also take part. The details of such joint parades etc. must be left to the local civil and military authorities; but it is suggested that bands should be used wherever available and that there should be displays of guns, tanks and other armoured fighting vehicles.

6. Apart from ceremonial parades, the Government of India would welcome the arrangement of any festivities which gave an opportunity for fraternisation between the civil and military, such as joint sports or the entertainment of soldiers by civilian organisations. In this connection extracts from a letter addressed to Provincial Governments by the Department of Information and Broadcasting are enclosed.

7. As the proposed celebrations are to be on an all-India scale, His Excellency the Crown Representative considers it desirable that States should also be invited to join in them as far as practicable. The Hon'ble the President would therefore be grateful if the Govt. of Mysore would kindly arrange such celebrations as are practicable throughout the State in accordance with the general programme given by the Government of India.

8. Plans to celebrate the event in the C. & M. Stn., Bangalore, are being made in consultation with the local military authorities. One of the items proposed is a procession of the military, N.V.S., A.R.P., St. John Ambulance and some special Police and the Civil &

Military Station authorities will be glad to extend their protection into Bangalore City if the Government of Mysore would like them to do so.

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"Copy"

M. N. Narasaraja Iyer
for Chief Secretary to Govt.

SECRET.

Extracts from a letter from the Govt. of India, Department of Information and Broadcasting, No.28/13/43. A & C, dated New Delhi, the 1st May 1943, to Chief Secretaries of all Provincial Govts.etc.

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Subject:- Jubilation in the event of the final overthrow of the Axis Forces in Tunisia.

I have the honour to suggest in broad outlines some of the items which can be arranged to celebrate the event. It is realised that all these items cannot be arranged at all places, and also that there would be many other equally suitable ways of celebrating the day which might suggest themselves to local authorities.

1. A public holiday. The date will be announced by H. E. Viceroy in the manner described in War Department's letter.
2. Distribution of sweets to school children.
3. Feeding the poor.
4. Fairs, wrestling matches etc.
5. Public prayers.
6. Decoration of Government offices by flags etc.
7. Symposiums of posts wherever they can be arranged.
8. Military, Police, H.A.G. A.R.P. Civil guards etc. parades and processions with bands.
9. Entertainments arranged by civilians to which Defence Services personnel are invited.
10. Sports and tournaments between civilian and Defence Servicemen.

2. I am also to state in rough outline, for your information the programmes intended to be observed and the material intended to be produced by Publicity Organizations of the Central Government.

A.I.R. 1. Broadcasts.

(1) A broadcast by H.E. the Viceroy as soon after the Victory as possible announcing the public holiday.

(2) High military officers who have taken part in the African campaign and now happen to be in India would also be invited to broadcast on the day fixed for the celebrations.

2. Broadcast of specially composed victory songs and poems, received from the Song Publicity Organisations.

3. Special features arranged for the day.

Note.- Station Directors have been asked to prepare the programmes as far as possible in collaboration with the Local Government authorities.

Press: Articles will be supplied to the Press by the Bureau of Public Information dealing with India's war effort on the supply side. The Counter-Propaganda Directorate will supply articles giving a balance sheet of "Now and a Year Ago". The Directorate of Public Relations will supply material dealing with the operational side of the war. The Provincial Press Advisers may be asked to use their influence as tactfully as possible with the newspapers and persuade them to observe the public holiday with the rest of the country. This will enable the newspapers to bring out a double issue on the day fixed for celebration.

FILM SECTION.

Specially edited films consisting of excerpts from films already shown (1) of the African campaign, (2) of the fighting in Libya and (3) of training of Indian troops in India will be put into circulation.

The picture "Victory in the Desert" is due to arrive shortly and will be on the circuits at that time.

NATIONAL WAR FRONT.

The National War Front will arrange for Press advertisements for the day, posters, coloured etc. It will also supply talking points for speeches by non-officials, District Officers, headmasters of schools etc.

3. The Government of India consider that in view of the short time that would be at the disposal of the District Officers and the consequent difficulty of raising sufficient voluntary donations to cover all the expenses of the celebrations, it would be advisable if the Provincial Governments could place a grant at the disposal of their district officers to meet incidental expenses connected with the celebrations.

4. This letter is not to be taken in any way to affect the observations made and the policy laid down in regard to the intensity of the celebrations and the trend of the speeches already indicated by the Govt. of India.

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M. K. Haradarajan
For Chief Secretary to Govt.

No.F.45-43/W. 3477

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The Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore.

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Bangalore the 14th May 1943.

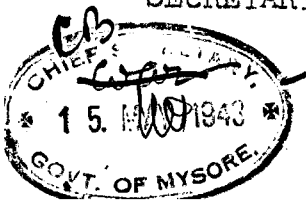
Celebration of Victory in North African Campaign

Sir

I am directed to refer to my letter No.F.45-43/W, dated the 13th May 1943, and to state that the Officer on Special Duty (States), National War Front, has telegraphed that suggestions to State Organisers for co-operation are under issue and that the States may be informed accordingly.

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT.



GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

No 5030/G.A.-

General and Revenue Secretariat,

*Dated, Bangalore,* 20th May 193

FROM

*The Chief Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.*

To

A. T. Nivant Gowda, B.A., Bar.-at-Law,
Dy. Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

SIR,

With reference to your letter No.A.C.220/42-43 dated the 17th May 1943, stating that the sum of Rs.200/- allotted to the District for celebrating the Jayanti in connection with the celebration of victory in North Africa on the 13th May 1943, will not be sufficient, if the Jayanti are to be solely conducted in the District Headquarters Taluk and suggesting that similar Jayantis may be taken in Taluk Headquarters also, I am directed to convey the approval of Government to your suggestion, provided the expenditure is limited to the allotment made for the purpose.

I have, etc.,

(Sd.) A. Vedavyasacharya,
Under Secretary to Government.

Memo No.5030-101/G.A.

Copy of the above letter is forwarded, with compliments, to the Deputy Commissioners of other Districts, for information.

W 18/5/43
for Chief Secretary to Govt.

Rc. 5-102/43. Copy sent

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## GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

**General and Revenue Secretariat**

No.G. 1341/
G.M.143-41-1

*Bangalore, Dated,* 18th May 1943.

## NOTIFICATION.

"TUNISIA DAY"

The Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore are pleased to declare Friday the 21st May 1943 to be a Public Holiday for all Public Offices, Courts, Educational and other Public Institutions throughout the Mysore State for the observance of Tunisia Day.

By Order,
M. NARASIMHAIYA
*Secretary to Government.*
*P. W., Ry. & El. Departments.*

To—The Compiler, Mysore Gazette.

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19th May 1943.

The Chief

The Secretary to the
Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore,
Bangalore.

I am directed to send herewith for your information two copies of Notification dated the 18th May 1943 declaring Friday the 21st May 1943 as a Public Holiday for all Offices, Courts, Educational and other public Institutions throughout the State in connection with the observance of Tunisia Day. Similar action has also been taken under the provisions of the Negotiable Instruments Act and the Factories Regulation in the case of Banks and Industrial Concerns.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

19/5/43
Offg. Chief Secretary to Government.

GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

No. D. 7387-43
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General and Revenue Secretariat.

*Dated Bangalore,*.....19th.....May.....1943.

FROM

*The Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.*

To Development Department.

SIR,

In accordance with Notifications No.G.13413/G.M. 143-41-1 and No.P.8542/ P·P.59-42-13 dated 18th May 1943 and 19th May 1943 respectively, declaring Friday the 21st May 1943 as a Public Holiday, for the observance of "TUNISIA DAY", I am directed to state that the holiday may be extended to all the Government Industrial Concerns.

I have etc.,

Secretary to Government
Development Department.

GR.10.

Tel. No. 2449.

The I.G.P., Bangalore, says that he went round with the Military Officer and submits the following route for the Victory Procession, for the Dewan's approval:

Leave General Post Office, go up to the Technological Institute, then turn to the right, pass through Seshadri Road up to Dharmambudhi Tank and then turn to the left, pass through Cottonpet, Briand Circle, then turn to the left, pass through New Tharagupet, Market Square, Narasimharaja Road, and then pass through Cubbon Park up to the Queen's Statue.

Sato
Jcs
19/5

Submitted
19/5/43.

OFFICE OF THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION
Date 19-5-43
No. 2462

Submitted to the Dewan sir for his approval

Concurred ← Sir P.

For perusal.
19/5/43.

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Copy of the foregoing xxxfaxxaaxaxd together with a copy of thexxtRaatx lxttxxxMx the Memorandum under reference, is forwarded, with compliments, to the Chief Secy. to Government for information.

CHIEF SECRETARY. CB 16. MAY 1943 GOVT. MYSORE.

M Dakada
Inspector-General of Police in Mysore.

Submitted for favour of.

(The main file has been sent to the D. C. for communication order to the Comr., re. placing certain sums at the disposal of the D.Cs and Comrs., Bangalore City Municipality & the President, K. City Municipality for incurring expenses connected with the conducting of special prayers in temples &c. Requested on that day.)

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Dewan MD 18/5/43

D. O. No.

M. SESHADRI, Esq., M.A.,
Inspector-General of Police
in Mysore.

BANGALORE,
May 15, 1943.

Route of Victory Procession in
Bangalore City limits.

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Dear Sir,

I am writing to acknowledge the receipt of your memorandum No. F.45-43/W dated the 14th May 1943 on the above subject. I hasten to correct an error which seems to have crept in in respect of item No.5 of the route. It may be corrected as follows:-

" (5) Right angle turn just north of Binny's Mills on to Goods Shed roa

Yours sincerely,

Sd.- M. Seshadri

W.De.B. Egerton, Esq., I.C.S.,
Secy. to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore.

P.T.O.

From

The Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore.

To

Headquarters, 160 L of C Sub Area.

Memorandum No.F. 45-43/W.

Bangalore, 14th May 1943.

Route of Victory Procession in Bangalore City limits.

The following route was settled this afternoon between Mr. Seshadri, Inspector-General of Police, Mysore State and the Hon'ble the Resident. It passes through a thickly populated area of the City and is calculated to show off the procession to as many people as possible. It is about 5½ miles long.

Starting from limit of Civil and Military Station at junction of Sydney and Grant Roads -

(1) along East of Sampangi Tank (Sydney Road)
(2) Cenotaph
(3) Narasimharaja Road through Central Market to point where road past Binny's Mill joins
(4) sharp right turn and along road East of Binny's Mills
(5) right angle turn just north of Binny's Mills on to Akkipet
(6) East of Dharmambudhi tank.
(7) Seshadri Road
(8) Post Office Road to King Edward's Statue

or vice versa

The only rather difficult point is at (5) above but presumably an officer will contact the Inspector General of police and go round route with him.

The two best placesfor Band are (a) Markept Square and (b) junction of Post Office Road and Sehsadri Road opposite Technical Institute.

Sd.- EGERTON
Secretary to the Resident.

Copy to Inspector General of Police, Mysore, Bangalore, for information.
Commissioner of Police, Civil and Military Station, Bangalore.

OFFICE OF THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION
Date 18.5.43.
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M L Deekader
Inspector General of Police in Mysore

No.F.45-43/W. Encl.1.

IMMEDIATE
SECRET. Bangalore, 13th May 43.

From

The Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore.

To

The Chief Secretary to the Govt. of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore.

Celebration of Victory in North African campaign.

Sir,

I am directed to inform you that the Government of India have had for some time under their consideration the question whether the final defeat of the Axis Forces in Tunisia should be marked by public celebrations throughout India. They are of opinion that such celebrations will have an excellent effect upon the public morale, provided that they are not of a character to suggest to the uninformed and simpleminded that the worst of the war is over, that the end is in sight, or that there is any justification for relaxing the war effort.

2. As regards the European theatre of war, it must be clearly borne in upon the public that the victory in Tunisia signifies merely the end of the phase which began with El-Alamein, and the conclusion of the North African campaign, and that by far the most serious portion of the struggle in this theatre still lies ahead. As regards India, it must be emphasized that while success in North Africa removes one part of the threat to her western frontier, the operations against Japan are not immediately affected, and that great sacrifice and effort will still be necessary before final victory in that theatre can be attained.

3. The Government of India have given the following general outlines of a provisional programme and have expressed the hope that the local civil authorities, in co-operation with His Majesty's Forces wherever these are present, and with influential members of the public, will unite in an endeavour to make the celebrations a success.

4. His Excellency the Viceroy has been pleased to signify his intention of addressing a short broadcast to the Princes and people of India on the significance of the final defeat of the Axis Forces in Tunisia, and of announcing at the same time the date fixed for the celebrations and the declaration of a public holiday on that date. The date will be fixed not more than a week after His Excellency's announcement.

5. Military parades or marches of all Services and Arms, including the Women's Auxiliary Corps, India, will be arranged wherever possible and the Government of India hope that the Police Focres, A.R.P.Services, W.V.S. and other civilian organizations will also take part. The details of such joint parades etc. must be left to the local civil and military authorities; but it is suggested that bands should be used wherever available and that there should be displays of guns, tanks and other armoured fighting vehicles.

6. Apart from ceremonial parades, the Government of India would welcome the arrangement of any festivities which gave an opportunity for fraternization between the civil and military, such as joint sports or the entertainment of soldiers by civilian organisations. In this connection extracts from a letter addressed to Provincial Governments by the Department of Information and Broadcasting are enclosed.

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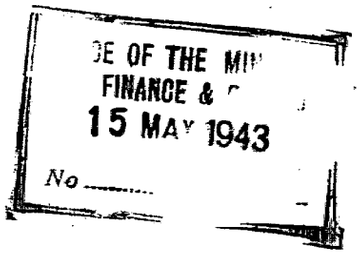
7. As the proposed celebrations are to be on an all-India scale, His Excellency the Crown Representative considers it desirable that States should also be invited to join in them as far as practicable. The Hon'ble the Resident would therefore be grateful if the Government of Mysore would kindly arrange such celebrations as are practicable throughout the State in accordance with the general programme given by the Government of India.

8. Plans to celebrate the event in the Civil and Military Station Bangalore, are being made in consultation with the local military authorities. One of the items proposed is a procession of the military, W.V.S., A.R.P., St. John Ambulance and some Special Police and the Civil and Military Station authorities will be glad to extend their procession into Bangalore City if the Government of Mysore would like them to do so.

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(Sd.) W. le B. Egerton,

Secretary to the Resident.

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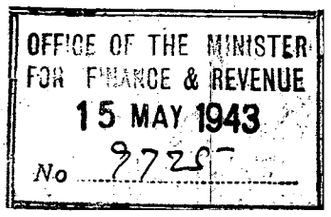
Revenue Minister)

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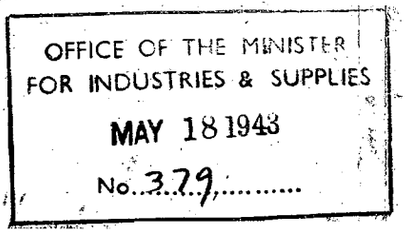
Will the Secretary to Revenue Minister kindly see the concerned file?

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H. E. the Viceroy, in his broadcast, has declared Friday the 21st May 1943, as a public holiday to celebrate Tunisia day. No communication in this respect has been received from the Residency so far. Action as to whether the holiday applies to Industrial Concerns and Banks, will be taken by on receipt of the communications.

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(Place with connected papers)

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Extracts from a letter from the Govt. of India, Department of Information and Broadcasting, No.28/13/43. A & C, dated New Delhi, the 1st May 1943, to Chief Secretaries of all Provincial Govts.etc.

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Subject: Jubilation in the event of the final overthrow of the Axis Forces in Tunisia.

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I have the honour to suggest in broad outlines some of the items which can be arranged to celebrate the event. It is realised that all these items cannot be arranged at all places, and also that there would be many other equally suitable ways of celebrating the day which might suggest themselves to local authorities.

1. A public holiday. The date will be announced by His Excellency the Viceroy in the manner described in War Department's letter.
2. 2. Distribution of sweets to school children.
3. Feeding the poor.
4. Fairs, wrestling matches etc.
5. Public prayers.
6. Decoration of Government offices by flags etc.
7. Symposiums of poets wherever they can be arranged.
8. Military, Police, W.A.C., A.R.P. Civil guards etc. parades and processions with bands.
9. Entertainments arranged by civilians to which Defence Services personnel are invited.
10. Sports and tournaments between civilian and Defence Servicemen.

2. I am also to state in rough outline, for your information the programmes intended to be observed and the material intended to be produced by Publicity Organisations of the Central Government.

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1. Broadcasts.
   (1) A broadcast by H.E. the Viceroy as soon after the Victory as possible announcing the public holiday.
   (2) High military officers who have taken part in the African campaign and now happen to be in India would also be invited to broadcast on on the day fixed for the celebrations.

2. Broadcast of specially composed victory songs and poems, received from the Song Publicity Organisations.

3. Special features arranged for the day.

Note.- Station Directors have been asked to prepare the programmes as far as possible in collaboration with the Local Government authorities.

Press: Articles will be supplied to the Press by the Bureau of Public Information dealing with India's war effort on the supply side. The Counter-Propaganda Directorate will supply articles giving a balance sheet of "Now and a Year Ago". The Directorate of Public Relations will supply material dealing with the operational side of the war. The Provincial Press Advisors may be asked to use their influence as tactfully as possible with the newspapers and persuade them to observe the public holiday with the rest of the country. This will enable the newspapers to bring out a double issue on the day fixed for celebration.

FILM SECTION.

Specially edited films consisting of excerpts from films already shown (1) of the African campaign, (2) of the fighting in Libya and (3) of training of Indian troops in India will be put into circulation. The picture "Victory in the Desert" is due to arrive shortly and will be on the circuits at that time.

NATIONAL WAR FRONT.

The National War Front will arrange for Press advertisements for the day, posters, hoardings etc. It will also supply talking points for speeches by non-officials, District Officers, headmasters of schools etc.

3. The Government of India consider that in view of the short time that would be at the disposal of the District Officers and the consequent difficulty of raising sufficient Voluntary donations to cover all the expenses of the celebrations, it would be advisable if the Provincial Governments could place a grant at the disposal of their district officers to meet incidental expenses connected with the celebrations.

4. This letter is not to be taken in any way to affect the observations made and the policy laid down in regard to the intensity of the celebrations and the trend of the speeches already indicated by the Government of India.

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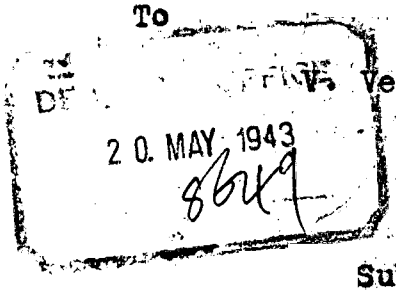
OFFICE OF THE REVENUE COMMISSIONER AND CIVIL REPRESENTATIVE IN MYSORE.

Dated. Bangalore, 18th May 1943.

From

M. Seshadri, Esq., M.A.,
Revenue Commissioner and Civil Representative
in Mysore, Bangalore.

To

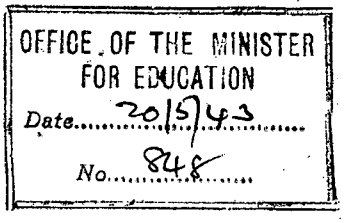



V. Vedavyasacharya, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government
of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Subject:- Tunisia Victory Celebrations.

Sir.

I have the honour to forward herewith letter No. 272/40/X/G dated 17th May 1943 together with its enclosures in - original received from the Head Quarters, 160 L of C Sub Area, regarding the above for favour of information of Government.




I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

M. Seshadri

Revenue Commissioner and
Civil Representative.

Submitted for perusal.
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OFFICE OF THE REVENUE COMMISSIONER,
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Date...12.5.43...
IN MYSORE, BANGALORE.

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Ltd Representative

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No.272 / 40 / X / G.
H.Q. 160 L OF C SUB AREA.
17 MAY 43.

To:-

Subject:- TUNISIA VICTORY CELEBRATIONS

As part of the Tunisia Victory Celebrations, which are to take place on Friday 21 May 43, a procession of all Services, both Civil and Military is to take place. In order that as many people as possible should see this procession, an eleven and a half mile route through the C & M STATION and the City has been selected. This has made it impracticable for the procession to be by March route.

2. In order to make the procession as varied as possible, the correct order of precedence among Units and Services has not been adhered to. In addition to the Procession, planes of the R.A.F. will fly in formation, past the saluting base at 1730 hrs.

3. The Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore will take the salute, during the procession. The saluting base will be situated on the Kings Road side of King Edward VII's statue.

4. COMPLIMENTS When passing the saluting base Officers will salute. and other ranks will sit to attention. Officers will only salute if sitting next the driver of vehicle. Personnel in Armoured vehicles will pay compliments, in their customary manner.

5. Personnel of the Mysore Lancers will act as Escort to the Hon'ble the Resident, and will line the East side of KINGS ROAD. The West side of KINGS ROAD will be lined by Mysore Infantry.

6. 88 L OF C PRO UNIT will be responsible for the arrangements at the assembly area and starting point (Recruits Reception Camp), and for the dispersal arrangements at the end of the Procession - the MADRAS S & M MEMORIAL where St. JOHN'S CHURCH ROAD meets MEANEE AVENUE ROAD.

7. Personnel of Q.V.O. MADRAS S & M and of the Recruits Reception Camp, will be required to assist the Police to line the streets. The latter Unit will be responsible for the route from the S.P. to the junction of HOSUR and RICHMOND ROADS. Personnel of the Q.V.O. MADRAS S & M will be required to line SOUTH PARADE and MEENAKSHI COIL STREET, to the top (North end) of BROADWAY. Os. C. Units concerned will make the necessary arrangements/direct contact with the Commissioner of Police.

8. Military Bands will be located as follows:-

MYSORE STATE FORCES BAND - Kings Road opposite the Saluting Base.

Q.V.O. MADRAS S & M BAND.- Russell Market.

RECRUITS RECEPTION CAMP BAND - S.E. Corner of Maidan opposite junction of BRIGADE RD. and SOUTH PARADE.

MYSORE STATE FORCES (2nd Band) - In Bangalore City (Actual location will be notified by Chief Comdt. Mysore State Forces.

S.T.C. (I) Band.

9. The Bty Medium Regt. and Tp. Hvy. A.A. Regt. who are taking part in the procession, will be accommodated at the British Leave Camp for the nights of 20/21 May 43 and 21/22. They should arrive at the Leave Camp by 1800 hrs on 20 May. O.C. Bty. Medium Regt. will report to the D.M. - Sub-Area H.Q. at 0930 hrs on 21 May. The first days rations for this party will be drawn by British Leave Camp. O.C. BTY. will contact O.C., LEAVE CAMP

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10. The Troops of 19 Lancers, if taking part in the procession, will be accommodated in the I.A. Section for the nights 20/21 May and 21/22. They should arrive there by 1800 hrs on 20 May 43.

11. TRAFFIC CONTROL will be the responsibility of the Civil Police aided by the Military parties mentioned in paras 5 & 7. Units providing Bands will detail a suitable number of tps. to form a cordon for their band.

12. DISPERSAL Vehicles will not be marshalled for dispersal, but on reaching D.P. will be directed along the road to the N.W. of the HALSUR TANK and will then reach Unit lines by the shortest possible route.

13. DECORATIONS Units may carry their Regimental Flags but NO Decorations are to be carried out. This does NOT apply to non-Military vehicles.

14. Details of the route to be taken by the Procession are shown in Appendix "A".

15. Details of the order of March are shown in Appendix "B".

16. Appendix "C" - Details of Forming up of Procession, will be issued to Units later.

MAJOR,
B.M.

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APPENDIX "A"

ROUTE OF THE PROCESSION

| 1. | | Distance |
|---|---|---|
| S.P. | RECRUITS RECEPTION CAMP<br>RICHMOND ROAD to junc. with HOSUR ROAD<br>BRIGADE ROAD<br>WEST along SOUTH PARADE<br>QUEENS ROAD<br>CUBBON ROAD | 2.6 miles. |
| | POST OFFICE ROAD<br>West along SESHADRI RD. to DHARMABUDHNI TANK | 2 miles |
| | Due South along Rd. WEST of DHARMABUDHNI TANK<br>ARALEPETE RD to junc. with MYSORE ROAD | 1.1 miles |
| | EAST along MYSORE RD and SRI NARASIMHA RAJA RD<br>PAST the CENOTAPH | 1.2 miles |
| | SYDNEY RD<br>KINGS RD - past Saluting base at King Edward Statue | 1.3 miles |
| | QUEENS RD<br>TASKER AVENUE<br>MEENAKSHI COIL STREET<br>RUSSELL MARKET | 1.5 miles |
| | BROADWAY<br>STATION RD<br>COCKBURN STREET.<br>ST. JOHN'S CHURCH ROAD<br>Q.V.C. MADRAS S & M Memorial (Dispersal Pt.) | 2.1 miles |

2. DISTANCE FROM S.P. To

| | |
|---|---|
| 1st check Point (N - W Corner of DHARMABUDI TANK | 4.6 miles |
| 2nd check Point (Junc. ARALEPETE and MYSORE RDS. | 5.7 miles |

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|---|---|
| 3rd Check Point (Cenotaph) | 6.9 miles |
| Saluting Base (King Edward VII's Statue Kings Rd). | 8.2 miles |
| Dispersal Point (Q.V.O. MADRAS S & M Memorial). | 11.8 miles. |

3. TIMINGS EN ROUTE

The leading vehicle in the procession (O.C. Bty- Medium Regt.) will pass the check points at the following times:-

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1st Check point | - | 1705 hrs |
| 2nd check point | - | 1713 hrs |
| 3rd check point | - | 1721 hrs. |

The leading vehicle will pass the Saluting Base at 1730 hrs.

N.B. It is essential that the 3rd check point is NOT passed before the time laid down.

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APPENDIX "B"

## ORDER OF MARCH

| Serial No. | Tps. or Personnel Taking part | No. of vehs. | Vehs provided By | R E M A R K S |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | 88 L OF C IRO UNIT | 1 M/C | PRO UNIT | To act as guide |
| 2. | BTY MEDIUM REGT. | 18 | MEDIUM REGT. | |
| 3. | Q.V.C. MADRAS S & M | 7 | MADRAS S & M. | Vehs to be as varied as possible and need not be carrying many troops. |
| 4. | S.T.C.(I) | 5 | S.T.C.(I) | |
| 5. | 25 MADRAS | 3 | MADRAS S & M | 30 cwt. trucks. |
| 6. | B.M.H. | 2 | 214 I.A.C.D. | 30 cwt. trucks. Nurses, orderlies and convalescent soldiers. |
| 7. | 118 IND. SUP. COY. | 3 | 118 IND. SUP. COY. | |
| 8. | BANGALORE CONTGT. A.F.(I) | 6 | BANGALORE CONTGT. | Armd. C's. |
| 9. | 26 MAHRATTAS | 3 | MADRAS S & M | 30 cwt. trucks. |
| 10. | LT. A.A. REGT. | 6 | 214 I.A.C.D. | 30 cwt. trucks. |

APPENDIX "B"
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| Serial No. | Tps. or Personnel Taking part | No of vehs. | Vehs provided by | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 11 | A.R.P. | 3 | Civil Defence Services | |
| 12 | FIRE SERVICE | 4 | | |
| 13 | C & M STATION SPECIAL POLICE | 1 | | |
| 14 | SOUTHERN ARMY SIGNALS | 16 m/c | S.A. Sigs and S.T.C. | S.T.C. to provide some M/Cs. if S.A. Sigs. has insufficient. |
| 15 | I.M.H. BANGALORE | 3 | 214 I.A.C.D. | 30 cwt trucks. |
| 16 | 6 M.T. T. C. | 5 | 6 M.T. T. C. | |
| 17 | W.A.C.(I) | 2 | 1 from 214 I.A.C.D.<br>1 from STN. WKSHOPS | 3 ton vehs. |
| 18 | W.V.S. | 1 | 214 I.A.C.D. | 3 ton vehs. |
| 19 | ST. JOHN'S AMBULANCE BDE | 1 | MADRAS S & M. | 30 cwt. trucks., |
| 20 | R.I.N. | 2 | 214 I.A.C.D. | 3 tonners<br>To report at Rec.Reception Camp. |
| | R.A.F. | 8 | R.A.F. | Vehs. to be as varied as possible. |

APPENDIX "D" Cont'd

| Serial No. | Tps. or personnel Taking part. | No. of vehs. | Vehs. provided by. | R E M A R K S |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 22. | IND. ORD. STN. WKSHOPS | 3 | Ind. Ord. Stn. Wkshops | |
| 23 | U.S.A. AIR FORCE | 8 | U.S.A. Air Force | |
| 24 | 26 SIKHS | 3 | 214 I.A.O.D. | 30 cwt. trucks. |
| 25 | MYSORE STATE FORCES | 4 | S.T.C.(I) | 3 tonners or 30 cwt. trucks. |
| 26 | 214 I.A.O.D. | 5 | 214 I.A.O.D. | Various vehs of different types. |
| 27 | 10 ADV. BASE ORD. WKSHOPS | 3 | 10 ADV. BASE ORD. WKSHOPS. | |
| 28 | MYSORE STATE POLICE | 2 | MYSORE STATE POLICE. | |
| 29 | AIR FORMATION SIGS. | 2 | AIR FORMATION SIGS | |
| 30 | 27 RAJ. RIF. | 3 | S.T.C.(I) | 30 cwt. trucks. |
| 31 | 38 B.G.H. | 3 | 38 B.G.H.<br>1 from 214 I.A.O.D. | Ambulance & Blood Transfusion lorry<br>3 ton lorry. |

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| Serial No. | Tps. or personnel taking part. | No of vehs. | Vehs. provided by. | R E M A R K S. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 32 | 119 IND. SUP. COY. | 3 | 119 IND. SUP. COY. | |
| 33 | RECRUITS RECEPTION CAMP. | 3 | 214 I.A.C.D. | 3 Ton vehs. |
| 34 | 46 I.G.H. | 3 | S.T.C.(I) | 3 ton lorries. |
| 35 | TP. HVY. A.A. | 6 | HVY. A.A. REGT. | |
| 36 | TPS. 19 LANCERS | | 19 LANCERS | If available. |

Speed of Procession - 8 M.I.H.
Distance between individual vehs. 20 yds.
Distance between Unit Groups of vehs. 30 yds.

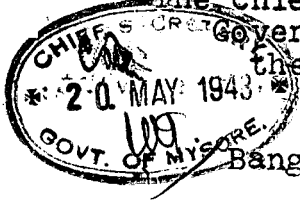
No.F.45-43/W.

From

The Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore.

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore.




Bangalore 19th May 1943.

Celebration of Victory in North African Campaign.

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Sir,

I am directed to state that the Government of India have telegraphed that in British India all reasonable prominence is being given to A.R.P. forces at the Victory celebrations on the 21st May 1943, and have suggested similar action being taken by the States.

2. It is realised that it is too late now to include the Mysore State A.R.P. forces in Friday's procession, every detail of which has already been worked out. I am, however, to pass on the Government of India's suggestion for such action as the Government of Mysore may think fit to take.

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3. A few vehicles of the Civil and Military Station Fire Services were originally included in the procession.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT

For perusal. It is too late to do anything now

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"T U N I S I A  D A Y"

Resolved that this meeting of the Citizens of Kolar expresses its great Joy at the Success of the Allies in North Africa where after a long drawn and Bitter Struggle they have been able to conquer and vanquish the enemy. At the same time it also expresses their gratitude to God whose benevolence has made this Victory possible and cherishes the hope that this will be a prelude to the Final Victory and dawn of Freedom and lasting peace all the world over.

Sd/ T. Ramaiya,
Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District.

Kolar,
21st May 1943.

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Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District.

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Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Kadur District,
Dated, Chikmagalur 22nd May 1943.

The Chief Secretary
to the Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.4953-51/C.B. dated 15th May 1943, I have the honour to state that "Tunisia Day" was celebrated in Chikmagalur as per instructions. Special prayers and religious services in the several temples, mosques and other place of worship here were conducted and a sum of Rs.98/- was allotted to the 14 institutions here. A grand parade and a procession had been arranged but unfortunately heavy down pour compelled us to restrict our programme. However a parade was held and a procession was taken round the town. Sweets at a cost of Rs.90/- were distributed to the School children, and in anticipation of your kind approval the cost was met out of Rs.200/- sanctioned to this district. The authorities of the local Poor House were requested to give a special dinner to the inmates of the Poor House. The School authorities conducted the sports events and Mr. M.D.Manjanatha Setty of Messrs. M.Lachia Setty & Sons generously donated Rs.25/- for the distribution of prizes to the primary school children. A sum of Rs.12/- was spent towards flowers and band. In the evening at 6 O'clock a public meeting was held and speeches were delivered by Messrs. S.Venkataramiah, Secretary National War Front Committee, B.Suryanarayana Rao, Head Master, Viswavidyalaya School, Vasey, Urdu School Master in Kanarese and Urdu and the meeting concluded with a speech by the President and prayer for early allied victory and peace and National

Anthem. Inspite of the bad weather, the meeting was well attended. It is proposed to give a small prize to the student who writes the best essay on the Tunisian Victory. A copy of the programme is herewith submitted for kind perusal.

Instructions regarding distribution of money to the taluks also for conducting special prayers etc., was received late and no money was sent to the taluks but the Amildars and the Municipal Presidents had been instructed previously to observe "Tunisia Day" and for conducting special prayers and religious services for early victory of the Allies and to hold public meetings.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Kadur District.

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## PROGRAMME.

Morning:- Prayer and Pooja in Mosques, Temples and Churches.

3 P.M. School children will gather in the respective Schools and distribution of Sweets.

4-30 P.M. Each Head Master will bring the Children to the Town Hall and each Class Teacher will look after his class children.

parade, Flag-Hoisting and March past Procession Starts

6 P.M. Procession returns via Naidu Street, Jail Road, round the Taluk Office and Main Road.

6-30 P.M. to 7 P.M. Speeches.

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ಸೂಚನೆ,

ಮಾನ್ಯರೆ, ಸ್ವಾತಂತ್ರ್ಯ ಹೋರಾಟದಲ್ಲಿ ಅಪೂರ್ವವಾದ ಪಾತ್ರವನ್ನು ನಿರ್ವಹಿಸಿ ಅನುಭವಿಸಿದ ಕಷ್ಟ ನಷ್ಟಗಳಿಗೆ ಲೆಕ್ಕವಿಲ್ಲದೆ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಜೀವನದಲ್ಲಿ ಅಪ್ರತಿಮ ಸೇವೆಯನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಿದ ಹಿರಿಯ ಸ್ವಾತಂತ್ರ್ಯ ಯೋಧರಲ್ಲಿ ಒಬ್ಬರಾದ ದೊಡ್ಡ ಬಳ್ಳಾಪುರದಲ್ಲಿ ವಾಸವಾಗಿರುವ ತಿ. ಹೊಂಗಾಪುರಯ್ಯನವರ ಕುಟುಂಬದ ಶೋಚನೀಯ ಪರಿಸ್ಥಿತಿಯ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕರ ಗಮನವನ್ನು ಸೆಳೆಯಲು ಈ ಪತ್ರವನ್ನು ಬರೆಯುತ್ತಿದ್ದೇವೆ.

ಅನುಭವಿ ಸ್ವಾತಂತ್ರ್ಯ ಸೇನಾನಿಗಳಾದ ಶ್ರೀ ಕಾಟಾಪುರ ವೆಂ. ವೆಂಕಟರಾಯಪ್ಪ ಬಿ.ಎ. ಅವರು ಈ ವಿಷಯವನ್ನು ಶ್ರೀಯುತ ನರಸಿಂಹಮೂರ್ತಿಯವರಿಗೆ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಿದರು. 21ನೇ ತಾರೀಖು ಗುರುವಾರ ಪ್ರಾತಃಕಾಲ 9 ಘಂಟೆಯಿಂದಲೇ ಈ ಪ್ರಸಂಗವನ್ನು ಸಂಬಂಧಪಟ್ಟವರಿಗೆ ತಿಳಿಸಲು ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕರು, ಪುರಪ್ರಮುಖರು, ಸುಮುಖರು ಅಲ್ಲಲ್ಲಿ ಸೇರಿದ್ದರು. ಪುರಸಭಾ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು, ಉಪಾಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು, ಸದಸ್ಯರು, ಮುಖ್ಯಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು, ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿನಿಯರು ದೇಶಭಕ್ತಿ ಪ್ರೇರಿತ ಘೋಷಣೆಗಳನ್ನು ಕೂಗುತ್ತಾ ಮೆರವಣಿಗೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಾಗಿದರು. ಮೆರವಣಿಗೆಯು ಪುರಸಭಾ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯವನ್ನು ತಲುಪಿದಾಗ ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಸೇರಿದ್ದ ಜನಸಮೂಹವನ್ನು ಉದ್ದೇಶಿಸಿ ಶ್ರೀಯುತ ನರಸಿಂಹಮೂರ್ತಿಯವರು ಮಾತನಾಡಿದರು. ಸ್ವಾತಂತ್ರ್ಯ ಸೇನಾನಿಗಳ ಕುಟುಂಬದ ಪರಿಸ್ಥಿತಿಯ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಸಹಾನುಭೂತಿಯಿಂದ ಪರಿಶೀಲಿಸಿ ಅಗತ್ಯ ಕ್ರಮ ಕೈಗೊಳ್ಳುವುದಾಗಿ ಭರವಸೆ ನೀಡಿದರು. ಪೌರಸಭೆಯ ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯ ಸಭೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ವಿಷಯವನ್ನು ಚರ್ಚಿಸಿ ಸೂಕ್ತ ನಿರ್ಣಯ ಕೈಗೊಳ್ಳುವುದಾಗಿ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು ತಿಳಿಸಿದರು. ಸಭೆಯು ಮಧ್ಯಾಹ್ನ 12.30 ಘಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೂ ನಡೆಯಿತು. ನಂತರ ಮೆರವಣಿಗೆಯು ಮುಖ್ಯ ರಸ್ತೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಹಾದು ಪುರಸಭಾ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯವನ್ನು ತಲುಪಿ ಕಲೆಯಿತು. ಶ್ರೀ ಕಾಟಾಪುರ ವೆಂ. ವೆಂಕಟರಾಯಪ್ಪನವರು ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷತೆ ವಹಿಸಿದ್ದರು. ಸಭೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ನಿರ್ಣಯಗಳನ್ನು ಕೈಗೊಳ್ಳಲಾಯಿತು. ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರ ಅಪ್ಪಣೆಯಂತೆ ಶ್ರೀಯುತ ತಿ. ಹೊಂಗಾಪುರಯ್ಯನವರು, ಶ್ರೀಯುತ ಎಂ. ಪುಟ್ಟಣ್ಣಯ್ಯ ಶೆಟ್ಟರು ಮತ್ತು ಇತರ ಮುಖಂಡರು ಸಭೆಯನ್ನು ಉದ್ದೇಶಿಸಿ ಮಾತನಾಡಿದರು. ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರ ಅಪ್ಪಣೆಯಂತೆ ಶ್ರೀಯುತ ತಿ. ಹೊಂಗಾಪುರಯ್ಯನವರು, ಶ್ರೀಯುತ ಎಂ. ಪುಟ್ಟಣ್ಣಯ್ಯ ಶೆಟ್ಟರು ಮತ್ತು ಇತರ ಮುಖಂಡರು ಸಭೆಯನ್ನು ಉದ್ದೇಶಿಸಿ ಮಾತನಾಡಿದರು. ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರ ಅಪ್ಪಣೆಯಂತೆ ಸೇರಿದ್ದ ಸಭೆಯು ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ನಿರ್ಣಯಗಳನ್ನು ಕೈಗೊಂಡಿತು. ಬಳಿಕ ಮೆರವಣಿಗೆಯು ಮುಖ್ಯ ರಸ್ತೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಹಾದು ಪುರಸಭಾ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯವನ್ನು ತಲುಪಿ ಕಲೆಯಿತು. ಶ್ರೀ ಕಾಟಾಪುರ ವೆಂ. ವೆಂಕಟರಾಯಪ್ಪನವರು ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷತೆ ವಹಿಸಿದ್ದರು. ಸಭೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ನಿರ್ಣಯಗಳನ್ನು ಕೈಗೊಳ್ಳಲಾಯಿತ

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No.D.Dis. Hl.379/42. Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Mandya District,
Dated, Mandya, the 26th May 1943.

From

Mir Safdar Hussain, Esq., B. A.,
Deputy Commissioner, Mandya District,
MANDYA.

To

V. Vedavyasacharya, Esq., B. A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government
of Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
BANGALORE.

Sir,

Subject:- Celebration of Victory in North Africa Campaign on the 21st May 1943.

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With reference to your letter No.4943-51/C.B. dated 15-5-43 calling for a short report on the celebrations conducted on the occasion referred to, I have the honour to state as follows:-

1. Special prayers and religious services in all the several temples, mosques, Churches, and other places of worship in the Town of Mandya were conducted on the morning of the 21st instant for the victory of the allies.

2. The Town hall of Mandya enroute the procession had been gaily decorated with flags, fastoons and buntings for the occasion. A parade by the local Police -staff, Civic Guards, Scouts and A.R.P.Wardens was conducted early in the morning and flags were hoisted on all the Government buildings.

3. A procession consisting of nearly 2,000 persons was conducted from the Town-hall through the bazar streets under t the auspices of the local National War Front, and the Police (Reserve as well as local ) the Scout, Civic-guards, A.R.P. Wardens boy and girl students of the several local schools along with their teachers, Government Officers of several Departments and many public of the place participated in the procession. The procession went round the bazar streets and returned to the Town-hall by 11 A.M.

4. Thereafter, sweets were distributed to all the school children in the Town Hall and the gathering disbursed.

5. In the evening a public meeting was arranged under the auspicies of the local National War Front and I presided over the meeting. The meeting was largely attended and many speeches were delivered about the importance of the victory of the allies in North Africa and the duty of each one of the citizen in the further prosecution of the war.

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6. The meeting concluded with three cheers to the King Emperor, the allies and to His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Mandya District.

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Muz.C. 2746/42.

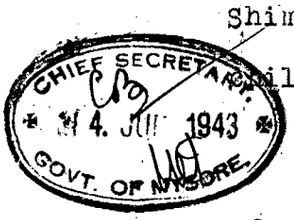
Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District,
Shimoga dated the 3rd June 1943.

To

The Chief Secretary
to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir

With reference to your No. 4943-51/C.B. dated 15th May 1943 re-the celeberation of " Tunisia Day ", I have the honour to state that special pujas and prayers were ~~effected~~ offered in all the temples, mosques and churches at the District Head Quarters viz.. Shimoga on 21st May 1943 and sweets were distributed to the children in all the schools in the Town.




A sum of Rs 11o/- was distributed among several places of worship of several communities in Shimoga Town for offering special prayers on the day and a sum of Rs 9o/- was ~~spent~~ spent for distribution of sweets in all the schools. The Mysore Flag was hoisted on all Public Buildings.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
your most obedient servant,

For Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District.

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT,
CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, MYSORE.

Date 4th June 1943.

From

B. S. RAGHAVENDRA RAO, Esq., M.A. (Hons.)
PRESIDENT, CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL,
MYSORE.

To

V. Vedavyasacharya, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to Government,
Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No:4952-57/CB dated the 15th May 1943, issuing instructions regarding the celebration of "Tunisia Day" on the 21st and communicating sanction of Government for placing a sum of Rs. 250/- at my disposal, for defraying expenses connected therewith, I have the honor to state that action in the matter was taken in consultation with the Organiser and Chairman, National War Front, to celebrate the occasion on a suitable scale. A preliminary meeting was held in the National War Front Office on 18th May 1943 and a regular programme of events for celebrating the day in suitable style was drawn up. The programme was carried out with great enthusiasm and rejoicing, thanks to the National War Front Organisation and the co-operation of the Municipality, the District Magistrate, the Police and not the least, the members of the public. At our request Mr. J. Mohamed Imam, B.A.,B.L., Minister for Public Works kindly presided at the function. The public meeting of the citizens of Mysore held in the Rangacharlu Memorial Hall on the 21st May 1943 was very largely attended. It was a very distinguished and representative gathering that had assembled therein.

2. A copy of the proceedings of the Committee convened on the 18th May 1943 for concerting measures to celebrate the occasion is enclosed. I am also enclosing herewith the report of the Chairman of the National War Front Organisation in the City, which gives the full details of the meeting in the Town Hall. The celebration was from all accounts a very great success.

3. I may add, thanks to the generosity of several of the Hotel

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keepers in the City, whose names are noted in the report of the Chairman of the National War Front Organisation (enclosed) and the great interest evinced by the health staff, sweets specially prepared for the occasion were distributed to all school children at every school and for such of the children as attended the parade in the morning. At every school arrangements were also made to give a short history of the events leading to the celebrations, the importance of the same and the significance of the occasion. I understand that these meetings were also a very great success.

4. The grant of Rs. 250/- kindly sanctioned for the purpose was drawn from the Treasury under advice from the Comptroller, and detailed accounts of expenditure will be furnished to that Officer shortly, as requested by him separately, copy of it being sent to you.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

PRESIDENT.

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TUNISIA DAY CELEBRATIONS.

The Chairman and Organizer of the National War Front, Mysore City, under the advice of Mr. B.S. Raghavendra Rau, M.A. (Hons.), President, City Municipal Council, convened a meeting on Tuesday the 18th May 1943 at the National War Front Office, at 6 P.M., to concert measures regarding the "Tunisia Day" celebrations.

The following members were present:-

B.S. Raghavendra Rau, Esqr., M.A.(Hons.),
Lt. Col. D.C. Nanjaraja Bahadur,
Rao Bahadur M. Ramaswamy,
A. VasudevaRao, Esqr., B.A.,
Mohamed Khalillulah, Esqr., M.A., LL.B.,
G.R. Josyer, Esqr., M.A., F.R.E.S.,
A. Venkatesiah, Esqr., B.A., LL.B.,
F.C. Devaraja Urs, Esqr.,
Mir Noor Hussain, Esqr., M.A., LL.B.,
B.R. Manickam, Esqr., B.E.,
Dr. T. Chandrasekhariah, Esqr., B.Sc., M.B.B.S., M.P.H.,
Capt. Krishne Urs,
H.S. Jambukesvariah, Esqr., B.A.

Mr. B.S. Raghavendra Rau, was proposed to the chair. by Rao Bahadur M. Ramaswamy. The Government communication Re: celebration of the "Tunisia Day" was read by the President. He also outlined the procedure laid down in it.

The following programme for the "TUNISIA DAY" celebrations was unanimously agreed:-

Morning:- 9 A.M. Parade by Police, Civic Guards and Boy Scouts at Sri Rangacharlu Memorial Hall; National Anthem and distribution of sweets to children.

Evening:- 6 P.M. Public meeting at Sri Rangacharlu Memorial Hall: Invocation; Thanks-giving; Orchestra; Speeches; Presidential address; Drama; Vote of thanks and National Anthem.

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Copy of Programme has been attached. Vide: Flag "A".

## NATIONAL WAR FRONT, MYSORE CITY

"TUNISIA DAY CELEBRATIONS"

The "Tunisia Day" will be celebrated on

*Friday, the 21st May 1943*

AT THE

**SRI RANGACHARLU MEMORIAL HALL**

to commemorate the Allies Victory in North Africa.

MR. J. MOHAMED IMAM, B.A., B.L.,
Minister for Public Works
has very kindly consented to preside.

You are cordially invited to attend the function.

M. RAMASWAMY,
*Organizer and Chairman,*
*National War Front,*
*Mysore City.*

B. S. RAGHAVENDRA RAU,
*President,*
*City Municipal Council,*
*Mysore.*

## PROGRAMME

*Morning : 9 to 11 a.m.*

1. Parade of Civic Guards, Boy Scouts, etc Assembly, Speeches and thanks giving in the several schools.
2. National Anthem.

*Evening : 6 p.m.*

**Public Meeting at Sri Rangacharlu Memorial Hall.**

1. Invocation.
2. Speeches.
3. Music.
4. President's Speech.
5. Vote of thanks.
6. Drama.
7. *National Anthem.*

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# TUNISIA DAY CELEBRATIONS.

Sri Rangacharlu Memorial Hall put up a grand festive appearance on Friday the 21st May 1943 in connection with the "Tunisia Day" to celebrate the Allies' Victory at North Africa.

On the morning of 21st May 1943 there was the Flag Salutation ceremony by the Police, civic guards and the Boy scouts in the distinguished presence of H/S C.M.H. Ramjodh Singh, B.A., Deputy Commissioner, D.S. Raghavendra Rau, M.A.(Hons.), President, City Municipal Council, K. Seshagiri Rao, M.A., LL.B., District Superintendent of Police, Rao Bahadur M. Ramswamy, Organiser and Chairman, National War Front, Mysore City, P.S. Devaraja Urs, Member of the City Advisory Committee, National War Front, Mysore, Dr. T.S. Siddappa, L.M.S., and others.

Mr. K. Seshagiri Rao addressed a few words to the gathering regarding the tremendous victory to the Allies in Tunisia and urged them to concentrate their thoughts and action on the grim struggle ahead so that the Allies may get complete victory.

Rao Bahadur M. Ramswamy next spoke in detail about the valiant part played by our Indian soldiers in giving the enemies a crushing defeat at Tunisia. He stated that the victory at Tunisia is a great boon to India and that all of us must be grateful to the Almighty for this tremendous victory to the Allies and pray for their complete success and to restore peace and tranquility to be all.

The morning's function came to a close with the NATIONAL ANTHEM and three cheers to His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Sweets were distributed to the children who were present at the function.

# TUNISIA DAY CELEBRATIONS.

The auditorium of Sri Rangacharlu Memorial Hall was packed to capacity by a huge gathering, numbering about 5000 men, women and children long before the commencement of the evening's function which was timed at 6 P.M.

Under the able and distinguished presidentship of Mr. J. Mohamed Imam, B.A., B.L., Minister for Public works, the evening's function commenced with the "Invocation" in Kannada by Sri Bhagirathamma and in Urdu by Mr. Yahiah.

Rev. W.E. Tomlinson, Mr. Mir Noor Hussain and Mahavidvan Vidvanmani D. Vasudevacharya made short and appropriate thanks-giving speeches in English, Urdu and Kannada respectively.

The Akashvani Orchestra entertained the audiance with melodious music which was appreciated by one and all.

Among the speakers of the evening, Mr. B.S. Raghavendra Rau was the first to speak. In his speech, he outlined in brief the part played by the Allies' Army in general and the Indian Army in particular in the Tunisian campaign while defeating the mighty Axis powers and explained how this great victory has saved India from the peril from one side. He stated that this is one of the many victories that the Allies are going to win against the Axis powers and that the victory at Tunisia is an important land-mark in the present world war. He further stated that great effort and sacrifice are needed before complete victory is won.

Rajasevaprasakta N. Rama Rao, in his speech, explained the valiant part played by our Indian soldiers in crushing the enemies at Tunisia and the need for united effort to completely vanquish them. He stated that the Allies will surely win in this struggle as it is fighting for upholding the truth and rightuousness and recalled the saying from our sacred books: "Truth alone will win and not the falsehood".

Mr. C.M.H. Ranajodh Singh explained the reason why we in India should celebrate the Allies' victory in North Africa, its significance and effect on India. He stated that the

the victory at Tunisia is one of many such victories to come for the Allies in the near future and stated that all of us should pray God for complete victory to the Allies so that dictatorship, menace and tyranny might be rooted out of existence once and for all from the face of the earth.

Mr. Mohamed Khalillulah, who next spoke, stressed on the importance of the evening's function and on the need for united and unstinted support of the public in all possible ways to bring the war to a successful conclusion.

Mrs. L.P. Krishnappa dwelt on the fact that the Tunisian victory is very valuable to us and explained that we are not only celebrating the victory of the Allies but also the annihilation of the Axis powers which threatened the world peace.

Mr. F.C. Devaraja Urs explained the reasons for the observation of "Tunisia Day" in all its aspects and invoked the blessings of God to bestow complete victory to the Allies in all their battle fields for the good of the whole world.

Mr. A. Venkatesiah stated that the word "TUNISIA" meant "The United Nations Inaugarate Success in Africa." He said that this victory is a stepping stone for the United nations for their further victories and for defeating the selfish Axis powers completely and for saving the world from the menace and tyranny of the enemies. He next explained the noble ideals and aims of the National War Front.

Mr. Shantarajiah explained how India is benefited by the Allies' victory at Tunisia where our Indian Soldiers played a valiant part. He further stated that the present critical food situation will be bettered owing to the facilities created by the Allies for movement of ships freely in the seas consequent on the recent tremendous victory at Tunisia. He said that we should all pray Almighty for complete success of the Allies in this epoch-making war and for restoring peace and order throughout the world.

Mr. D. Srinivasachar explained how the Allies' victory at Tunisia has helped India and his opinion was that the Allies will certainly fight to the last for the benefit of all peace-loving people in the world. He stated that we should all be gra

grateful to those who are fighting valiantly for upholding the cause of democracy and for rooting out of existence the dictatorship and fascism.

Mr. J. Mohamed Imam, B.A., B.L., Minister for Public works, in his presidential address explained in lucid and clear Kannada the importance of the observance of the "Tunisia Day". A brief report of his speech is given below in English:-

"Ladies and gentlemen,

India is relieved of a great peril by the tremendous victory to the Allies at Tunisia. India was hitherto threatened with danger from two sides. Now, the Allies have saved India from the danger from one side by their victory at Tunisia. India has experienced a variety of difficulties for the past three years. The Allies are fighting against the selfish Axis powers with the definite aim to put an end to their evil designs, to root out the dictatorship, menace and tyranny and to establish peace and tranquility all over the world. In the beginning of the war, Germany nodbubt won in a few small battles. Italy also joined hands with Germany in furthering its campaign for oppression and aggression. The combined efforts of these two powers were completely frustrated at Tunisia by the grim determination and strength of the Allies. Inspite of the setbacks at the beginning, the Allies were never disheartened and they continued their battles and achieved glorious victory. The Allies believed that "Truth alone will win" and fought for its cause. The Allies have laid the foundation for the final victory by their success at Tunisia. The oppressed countries under the domination of the Axis powers will enjoy their independance once again soon after complete victory is won by the Allies.

Our Indian soldiers have played a very important in defeating the enemy at Tunisia. They are well known for their excellent comradeship and endurance. The credit of having captured the German commander, belongs to our Indian soldiers (Applause In this struggle we should do our best to assist them to succeed in their efforts. This is our duty. I feel sure you are aware of and try your best to discharge it at all times.(Applause).

TUNISIA DAY CELEBRATIONS.

Rao Bahadur M. Ramaswamy in his speech stated that till now it was believed that Hitler was unconquerable and that he had established such a strong offensive and defensive forces like that of "ಸಿಂಹದ ಬೆನ್ನೆಲುಬಿಂತೆ"; but now the tables have turned against him and that all his offensive forces are melting away. He further stated that the success of the Allies at Tunisia is for the good of the whole world and that it is a success which leads to the lasting peace of the world.

Rao Bahadur M. Ramaswamy proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the President for having so readily responded to his invitation to come and preside over the "Tunisia Day" celebrations, inspite of his other multifarious engagements. He explained how the president of the evening has been helping the public in all possible ways even from the days prior to his assuming the ministership. He thanked the Deputy Commissioner, the Dist. Superintendent of Police, the President, City Municipal Council, the Dist. Educational Officer, the Health Officer, the Police, Civic Guards, Boy Scouts and others for their willing co-operation in making the function a grand success. Next, he thanked the Akash-Vani Orchestra people for their melodious musical entertainment and the various speakers for their interesting and instructive speeches. Then, he thanked the following hotel proprietors for their generous co-operation in helping to supply sweets for distribution among the school children:-

" Union Restuarant, Kailas Anand Bhavan, Modern Cafe, Vidyarthi Bhavan, Exhibition Cafe, Bus Terminus Hotel, Sri Krishna Bhavan, Indra Bhavan, Bombay Anand Bhavan, Udipi Anand Bhavan, Rama-Krishna Bhavan, Modern Hindu Hotel, Mr. Ballal and others."

The short drama which was staged by Mr.C.B. Jaya Rao and his party depicting the various views and aspects of the Tunisian victory was very much appreciated by the audiance.

After the NATIONAL ANTHEM and three cheers to His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, the pleasant function came to a close.

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Celebration of "Tunisia Day" in Mysore

21st May 1943

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LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

It is my proud privilege, as the President of this premier Municipality to welcome you all to this public meeting specially convened to express our thanksgiving and rejoicings for the Victory of the Allied Arms in Tunisia and to pay tribute to the heroes of the Tunisian Campaign, British, American and French and above all men of our Famous Fourth Indian Division.

As explained clearly by His Excellency the Viceroy in his Radio Broadcast on the 13th, while this Victory does not mean and should not be understood to mean that the end of the War is in sight, this is however, in itself a very great Victory, marking as it does the first stage of the Victorious campaign of the Allies against the Axis. To all of us who have been watching during the last two years the ding dong battle waged in North Africa this Victory of the Allied arms is really an occasion for great jubilation. To us in India the Victory is, from morethan one point of view a great landmark in this World War. The deadly threat to our western approaches is removed. The famous Fourth Indian Army has distinguished itself in this African Campaign covered itself with Glory and brought great credit to our Nation. As a matter of fact so great is the distinction they have earned that a request has been made in the House of Commons that a contingent of Officers and men of the Fourth Indian Division should be brought to Britain to enable the British people to pay a fitting tribute to them and to the Indian Army. It is our Indian Army that had the glory of capturing General Von Arnim, the German General Commanding Axis Forces in Africa. While therefore congratulating the British and American Generals on their brilliant success in North Africa we are proud of

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of the brilliant chapter that our Indian Army has got written in this campaign.

This Victory to us also means more. It means that the Sea route to India through the Mediterranean is open. Men and materials can now flow in freely to India and through this great country of ours to the eastern theatre of War, so that the war here may also be brought to a speedy conclusi

The Prime Minister Mr. Winston Churchill has in his historic speech before the joint session of the American Congress referred to the dangers ahead not the least of which is an undue prolongation of the War.

Let us therefore bestir ourselves and do our further bit in the effort to see that the final Victory of the Allies and the defeat of the Axis powers is speeded up and let us hope and pray that the final ~~ee~~ collapse of the axis would come as suddenly as in North Africa.

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KSR.

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Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Hassan District,

No:Muz.C.4168-42. Dated Hassan, the 5th June 1943.

From

N.S. Hirannayya, Esq., M.A.,
Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District.

To

V. Vedavyasacharya, Esq,, B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government
of Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
B a n g a l o r e.

Subject:- Celebration of Victory in North African Campaign on 21st May 1943.

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Adverting to your letter No: 4943-51/C.B. dated 15th May 1943 on the above subject, I have the honor to state that the 'Tunisia Victory Day" was celebrated throughout the District, the principal celbrations being conducted at Sakdespur owing to the cholera scare at Hassan under the President-ship of Mr.K.V.Anantharaman,B.A.,Minister for Revenue and Law. It is reported that special progress and religious services in the several temples, mosques and other places of worship in all the Taluk Head-quarters places and some of the Hobli Head-quarters were conducted with processions of deities and sweets were also distributed in some of the places to the school children and others.

Out of the sum of Rs. 200/- placed at my disposal, a sum of Rs.32/- was distributed to several institutions at Hassan, the Head-quarters of the District and the balance of Rs. 168/- was paid to the District Organiser, ~~N.W.F.~~ National war front Hassan. I am herewith enclosing a copy of the report received from Mr.S.Venkatesiah,B.A,B.L., the District Organiser about the celebrations held for favour of perusal.

I am glad to report that with the hearty co-operation of not only ~~N.W.F.~~ National War Front workers but also the public, the occasion was celebrated in a befitting manner and the day was really a festival day. My thanks are due to all who co-operated whole heartedly in the successful conduct of

"TUNISIAN VICTORY DAY".

21-5-1943.

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Tunisia Victory Day" was celebrated throughout the District. Owing to the prevelance of Cholera at Hassan, the principal celebration in the District took place at Saklespur. Rajamantrapravina Mr.K.V.Anantharaman, B.A., Minister for Revenue and Law very kindly presided over the function. The meeting was very well attended and consisted of the leading people of the Town. The function commenced with the hoisting of the Mysore flag. After invocation by the School girls, the President opened the meeting with a short speech. Mr.S.Venkatesaiya,B.A.,B.L.,District Organiser, Mr.T.Madhava Rao,B.A.,B.L.,Member, N.W.A. Manjarabad Taluk,and finally the Minister dwelt in great length on the significance of the celebrations

The progress of Allied armies clearing Axis powers from African continent was explained and the fact that Allied troop-armours were quite good, if not superior to German Panzer troops, was emphasised. The speed and vigour of the advance across 1000 miles of decent and higher country was traced.

The sucess on French North Africa has restored unity and hope to Frenchmen. Italy's empire in Afria had been liquidated. Available project heads had been acquired for the prosecution of the war on the European mainland. Supply to expiditionary force vitally depended on Sea Transport and it was that the victory would hold it materially shortening the route to be traversed. Further, Ship building had been progressing and sinkings were less, and so the vital factors necessary to invest the Allies with necessary shipping for opening a second Front had been achieved. But we should not exaggerate. as there is no room for complaency. While the initiative has been arrested, and only preliminaries have been completed bitter struggle and hard fight lay ahead and every one must do his utmost to help war effort's. There was no room for relaxation. To us in India it was a matter of deep gratitude that our own soldiers had prominent share

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**GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE**

Tele gram / phone

OFFICE OF
The Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District,
Chitaldrug.

No. A5.P.A.289/42-43.
Encls.

Date 12th June 1943.

To

V. Vedavyasacharya, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to Government,
B A N G A L O R E.

Sir,

Subject:- Celebration of Victory in North African Campaign.

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With reference to your letters No.4943-51/C.B. dated 15-5-43 and No.5093/C.B. dated 18-5-43 in the matter of celebration of "Tunisia Day" and conducting special prayers in religious institutions in connection with the celebration of Victory in North African Campaign on 21st May 1943 both at the District and Taluk Headquarters places in the District, I have the honour to state that it is reported by all the Amildars and Sub-Division Officer, Davangere, that special prayers and religious services were conducted in the several temples, mosques and other places of worship in all the District and Taluk Headquarter places on that day. The "Tunisia Day" was also celebrated in all places in a fitting manner. Special mention may be made of the celebrations at Chitaldrug, Davangere and Harihar.

At Chitaldrug the celebrations were held as per enclosed programme on that day. At a large gathering of persons held at the District Board Hall, Chitaldrug, at 10-45 A.M. and which had been arranged by Mr. H.M. Siddaramiah, B.A.,LL.B. Advocate, Davangere, and District Organiser, Mysore National War Front, under my President-ship, the marginally noted persons delivered impressive lectures on the importance of the Victory of North African Campaign and its direct effect on India in saving the country from German Invasion and assuring her of more supplies

Messrs.
1. H.M.Siddaramiah.
2. B.Venkatashamanna.
3. Sir Khaji Mohiuddin.
4. Rajarathnam, Head Master, High School, Chitaldrug.
5. Syed Ahamed, D.E.O. Chitaldrug.

supplies from the West. An appeal was also made to the people that they should not keep quiet, that much has been achieved by this Victory and that they are safe, and that as this is the beginning of the real war, every effort should be made by every person in providing men, money and supplies in kind in large numbers. The meeting terminated with 'National Anthem'. In the afternoon, field sports had been arranged for the school children and prizes to winners and sweets to the school children were distributed. The National Flag was hoisted on all the public buildings on that day. The enclosed reports received from the Sub Division Officer, Davangere and the Amildar, Harihar Taluk, contain details of celebrations held at Davangere and Harihar respectively.

The sum of Rs.200/- sanctioned for celebrating the 'Tunisia Day' was distributed as noted in the margin. The relevant vouchers will be obtained from the concerned officers and sent to the Comptroller as desired by him.

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| 1. Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District.... | Rs. 25-0-0 |
| 2. Amildar, Chitaldrug Taluk..... | Rs. 15-0-0 |
| 3. Sub-Division Officer, Davangere..... | Rs. 50-0-0 |
| 4. Amildar, Harihar Taluk..... | Rs. 50-0-0 |
| 5. Amildar, Chellakere Taluk..... | Rs. 10-0-0 |
| 6. Amildar, Hiriyur Taluk..... | Rs. 10-0-0 |
| 7. Amildar, Molakalmuru Taluk..... | Rs. 10-0-0 |
| 8. Amildar, Jagalur Taluk..... | Rs. 10-0-0 |
| 9. Amildar, Holalkere Taluk..... | Rs. 10-0-0 |
| 10. Amildar, Hosadurga Taluk..... | Rs. 10-0-0 |
| Total..... | Rs.200-0-0 |

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

for DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
Chitaldrug District.

RSR/

(absent from Hqrs)

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No.R.M.3.C.4369/42-43
Enc.

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Tumkur District.
Dated, Tumkur, the 14th June 1943.

To

V. Vedavyasachary, Esq:, B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Govt: of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Subject:- Celebration of Victory in North African Campaign (Observance of 'Tunisia Day').

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.4943-51/C.B. dated 15th May 1943 on the above subject, I have the honor to state as follows:-

Out of the sum of Rupees 200/- allotted to this District for defraying the expenses connected with the celebration, a sum of Rs. 125/- was allotted to all religious institutions in the District Head Quarters, a sum of Rs. 25/- to the District Superintendent of Police, Tumkur and Rs.50/- to the District Organiser National War Front. Rs. 125/- was distributed among 43 religious institutions ( temples, churches, mosques and other places of worship) of Tumkur Town and special pujas and prayers in all mosques and churches were conducted on 21-5-1943.

On the morning of 21-5-43 a Joint Parade of local Police, Reserve Police and Civic Guards was held in the Police grounds. After the parade, a meeting of the Police force was held in the Police Club under my presidentship. Messers Krishnaswami Iyengar, Group Commandar of Civic Guards and Muddappa, Advocate and A.R.P. Instructor addressed the gathering about the importance and observance of the celebration of Victory Day in the annals of war. I also spoke about the glorious victory achieved by the Allies. Later a route march of the Police force all round the town was arranged.

In the evening Rajasevasakta Mr.H. Venkataramaih,B.A.,B.L., Organiser of the National War Front Committee,Tumkur District had arranged a public meeting in the Sri Krishnarajendra Town Hall under my presidentship in connection with the celebration. The Organiser National War Front gave a brief account of the war that was going on in North Africa for the past 2½ years, explained to the audience how the Indian IV Division took part in the assault and occupation of Tunis on the 7th May 1943 and made the Germans surrender. He further

further pointed out to the audience that because our Indians have greatly contributed towards the victory of the Allies and the final defeat of the Axis forces at Tunis we must observe Tunisia Day today throughout India as a mark of respect to our comrades in arms and also as an expression of our joy. It was also clearly emphasised that the worst of the war was not yet over, that even the end of the war was not in sight, that there was no justification for relaxing the war effort on the part of the people, and to win the final victory both in Europe and in Asia great sacrifices and efforts were still necessary. Mr.K. Krishnaswami Iyengar, M.A., B.T., Head Master of the District Normal School also spoke on the occasion. I also in my presidential speech explained to the audience how the troubles people are having herewith regard to food-stuffs are nothing when compared with those that our friends are undergoing in the front, how such of those who cannot join the army or do not want to do so may help the war efforts as best they can by giving up their fear of war and advising their friends also to give up their fear and be bold and, by rendering their services to the dependents of those who have gone to the front.

It is stated that the chairman of all the Taluk Committees, National War Front ~~Committees~~ in the District have celebrated the Tunisian Victory in all the Taluk Head Quarters with great success on the day. It is also stated that one Mr. V.N. Kurian of Madras Government who was camping at Kunigal, had arranged for a 'Tea Party' on the 21st instant in connection with the celebration and had invited all the important people of the town.

I have the honor to be,
sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Tumkur District.

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Urgent
No.D.Dis.M.5.5147/42-43

Office of the Deputy Commissioner
Bangalore District
Dated 14th June 1 9 4 3.

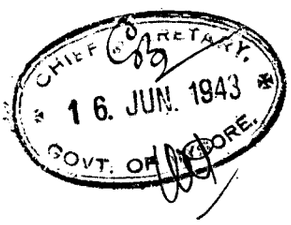
From

R.P. Mallappa Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District

To

V. Vedavyasacharya Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government
of Mysore, B a n g a l o r e.

Sir,




Sub:- Celebration of 'TUNISIA DAY' on the 21st May 1 9 4 3.

With reference to your letter No.4943-51/C.B., dated 15th May 1943, issuing instructions to observe 21st May 1943 as 'Tunisia Day' to celebrate the Allies Victory in North African Campaign, I have the honor to state that orders were issued to all the Sub Division Officers and the Amildars in the District with the direction that the instructions contained in your letter should be strictly carried out and necessary arrangements made for the offering of special prayers and religious services as detailed in your letter in all the temples, mosques, churches and other places of worship in their respective jurisdiction on that day.

The amount of Rs.200/- sanctioned for defraying the expenses in this connection was drawn on payee's receipt and distributed among the Taluks as follows in proportion to the No. of institutions contained in each.

| Taluk | Amount. |
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| 1. Hoskote | 10-0-0 |
| 2. Dodballapur | 10-0-0 |
| 3. Nelamangala | 25-0-0 |
| 4. Kankanhally | 30-0-0 |
| 5. Magadi | 30-0-0 |
| 6. Channapatna | 35-0-0 |
| 7. Anekal | 20-0-0 |
| 8. Devanhalli | 5-0-0 |
| 9. Closepet | 15-0-0 |
| 10. Bangalore North & South | 20-0-0 |
| | Total Rs. 200-0-0 |

It is seen from the reports received from the Amildars and the District Organiser, National War Front, that on the morning of 21st May '43, special prayers and religious services were conducted in all places of worship at all the TalukeHeadquarters and outside. Portraits of the King Emperor and His Highness the Maharaja were carried in procession in the principal streets of the town. The school children participated in the procession with the flag.

Public meetings were also held in this connection Very large No. of people participated in the deliberations of the meeting. Several private gentlemen took active part in delivering lectures explaining the importance of the success of the Allies. A resolution congratulating the Allies for their success at Tunisia was also passed unanimously.

The celebration of the 'Tunisia Day' was concluded with special prayers for the speedy victory of the Allies and utter anihilation of the Axis powers and also for the health, wealth and prosperity to His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

The Headquarter towns presented a festive appearance, all the Government Offices and Educational Institutions being decorated with flags and festoons.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

for Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.
14/6
absent on Tour.

T.M.C

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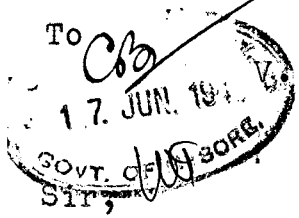
No.M.5.5496/42-43

Office of the Deputy Commissioner
Bangalore District
Dated 16th J u n e 1 9 4 3.

From

R.P. Mallappa Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore.

To CB




V. Vedavyasacharya Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government
of Mysore, Bangalore.

Sir,

In continuation of this office letter No. D.Dis.M.5.5147/42-43 dated 14-6-43 forwarding the report about the celebration of the Tunisia Day, I have the honor to state that out of Rs.200/- sanctioned for this purpose a sum of Rs.30/- was sanctioned to Kankanhally Taluk. The Amildar of this Taluk has sent an R.T.R. No.33-38 dated 28-5-43 for a sum of Rel/- being the balance of the amount sanctioned to him. This R.T.R. was cashed up 8-6-43 and the amount kept in this office.

I request you kindly to let me know the head to which this amount is to be credited.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

T.M.C.

Submitted with draft of a letter to the D.C., Bangalore.

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**GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.**

**General and Revenue Secretariat.**

*Bangalore, dated* 30/7/ June 1943.

No. 9/CB

FROM Chief
*The Secretary to the Government of His Highness*
*the Maharaja of Mysore.*

To

The Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District,
Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.M.5. 5496/42-43 dated 16th June 1943, I am directed to state that the unspent amount of Re.1/- out of the sum of Rs.200/- sanctioned for defraying the expenses connected with the celebration of the Tunisia Day, may be credited to XIII Miscellaneous - 4 Mis - other receipts.

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

(Sd.) V. Vedavyasacharya,

Chief Secretary to Government.

BHK/3. p.t.o.

Memo No. 1013 Dated, Bangalore, the 3/7/ June 1943.

Copy of the foregoing is forwarded, with compliments, to the Comptroller to Government, Bangalore, for information.

By Order,

WP
3/7/43

~~for~~ Chief Secretary to Govt.

# BANGALORE CITY MUNICIPALITY.

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No. A1-1751/42-43. MUNICIPAL OFFICES,

Encl. One Bangalore 29th May 1943

FROM P. Suryanarayana Setti, Esq., B.A., LL.B
~~ABDUL AZIZ KHAN ESQ.~~
MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER,
*Bangalore City.*

To

V. Vedavyasacharya, Esq., B.A.,

Chief SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT
OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE,
~~LAW DEPARTMENT~~, BANGALORE.

SIR,

With reference to your Memo No. 4952-57/C.B. dated 15-5-1943, in the matter of observing 21st May 1943 as 'Tunisia Day', to celebrate the Allies' victory in North African Campaign and conducting special prayers and services in the Religious Institutions in the Bangalore City, I have the honour to state that a meeting consisting of the *marginally noted Officers and gentlemen was held on the 19th May 1943, in the City Municipal Offices. As resolved thereat, a sum of Rs.5/- was given to each of the 50 institutions, specified in the enclosed list, for conducting special prayers and religious services on 21-5-1943. Reports have been received from the authorities of all these religious institutions, saying that special prayers and services were offered on the said date, wishing for the victory of the Allies.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

P. Suryanarayana Setti
Municipal Commissioner.

CHIEF SECRETARY. CB 22. JUN. 1943 GOVT. OF MYSORE.

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1. P. Suryanarayana Setti, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
   Municipal Commissioner.
2. Dr. M. Royan, M.D., Municipal Councillor and Chairman
   National War Front, Bangalore City.
3. S.D. Ganesha Rao, Esq., B.A., B.L., Advocate
   District Organiser, National War Front,
   Bangalore City.
4. I.K. Purushothan Naidu, Esq.,
   Organiser, National War Front,
   Bangalore City.

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5. T.L. Gangoji Rao, Esq.,
   Municipal Councillor, Bangalore City.

6. Dr. M. Ramachandra Rao, B.A., M.B., B.S., C.P.H.,
   Health Officer,
   Bangalore City.

7. D. Govindappa, Esq., B.Sc., A.M.I.E.,
   Municipal Engineer,
   Bangalore City.

8. N. Siddalingappa, Esq., M.A., LL.B.,
   Revenue Officer,
   Bangalore City

9. A. Mariappa, Esq., B.A.,
   Personal Assistant to the Municipal Commissioner,
   BangaloreCity.

10. C. Annadanappa, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
    Octroi Superintendent,
    Bangalore City.

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List of the Religious Institutions in the Bangalore City to which money was distributed for offering special prayers on 'Tunisia Day' (21-5-1943) as per instructions conveyed in Chief Secretary's ~~xxxxxxxxx~~.Memo No. 4952-57/C.B. dated 15-5-1943.

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| I and IX Divisions | 1. Aswathanarayanaswamy Temple |
| | 2. Kadu Malleswara Temple |
| | 3. Kaniyakaparameswari Temple. |
| II and III Divisions | 4. Anjaneyaswamy Temple, Kempegowda Road |
| | 5. Tuppada Anjaneyaswamy Temple |
| | 6. Annamma Temple |
| IV Division | 7. Makkala Basavanna Temple |
| | 8. Anjaneyaswamy Temple near Mysore Bank |
| | 9. Choudeswari Temple |
| V and VI Divisions | 10. Subramanyaswamy Temple |
| | 11. Venkataramanaswamy Temple |
| II Division | 12. Tulasi Vanam Temple |
| | 13. Srinivasa Mandiram Temple |
| | 14. Jain Swethambara Temple (Diwankhane Galli) |
| III Division | 15. Jain Swethambara Temple |
| | 16. Kasi Visweswara Temple |
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| IV & V Divisions | 17. Dharmaraya Temple |
| | 18. Gopalakrishnaswamy Temple |
| | 19. Kalamma's Temple |
| VII Division | 20 Gavigangadharaswamy Temple |
| | 21. Raghavendraswamy Mutt |
| | 22. Rameswara Temple |
| VIII Division | 23. Shankara Mutt |
| | 24. Doddabasaveswara Temple |
| | 25. Uttaradi Mutt |
| I & IX Divisions | 26. Sri Rama Temple |
| | 27. Gopalakrishnaswamy Temple |
| | 28. Sri Rama Temple, 1st Main Road, Seshadripuram |
| II Division | 29. Rangaswamy Temple |
| | 30. Narasimhaswamy Temple, Balepet |
| III Division | 31. Anjaneyaswamy Temple |
| II Division | 32. Vithoba Temple |
| | 33. Venkataramanaswamy Temple, Akkipet |
| IV and V Divisions | 34. Viswakarma Temple |
| | 35. Ramadevaru Temple |
| VII and VIII Divisions | 36. Kote Venkataramanaswamy Temple |
| III Division | 37. Mahantan Mutt |
| | 38. Adinarayanaswamy Temple |

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Mosques

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| V Division | 1. Old Kasai Road Mosque |
| IX Division | 2. Malleswaram mosque |
| III Division | 3. Avenue Road Masjid<br>4. Tavakal Mastan Sabi Mosque |
| I Division | 5. Munireddypalyam Masjid |
| VII & VIII Divisions | 6. Lubbe Masjid<br>7. Mysore Road Masjid |

Churches

1. St. Joseph's Church
2. Cubbonpet Catholic Church
3. Hudson Memorial Church
4. Rice Memorial Church
5. St. Luke's Church, Hardinge Road.

MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER

MLT.

GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

General and Revenue Secretariat

No. S-397-43/CB

*Dated, Bangalore,* 23rd June 1943.

From

*The Chief Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.*

To

The Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar, Kadur & Mysore Districts.

Subject:- Celebration of Victory in North African Campaign on 21st May 1943.

S i r,

I am directed to invite reference to this office letter No.4943-51/C.B. dated the 15th May 1943 calling for a short report on the celebrations conducted on the occasion referred to above, and to request that the report may be kindly expedited.

I have, etc.,

Sd. M. K. Vaneeswarajan

Chief Secretary to Govt.

Draft typed & Reminder sent

23/6/43.

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No. N.W.F. 17/42
Encl: one

Office of the Deputy Commissioner
Kadur District
Dated, Chikmagalur 24th June '43

From

G.N. NAGARAJA RAO, ESQ., M.Sc.,
Deputy Commissioner, Kadur District,
Chikmagalur

To

V. VEDAVYASACHARYA, ESQ., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to Government of
Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter NO. 5397-99 C.B. dated, Bangalore, 23rd June 1943, calling for a short report on the celebration of - Victory in North African Campaign on the 21st May 1943, I have the honor to state that the report in question was sent to you on 22nd May 1943 with this office letter NO. N.W.F. 17/42 - dated 22-5-1943. However, a copy of the - letter in question is enclosed for kind reference. It is learnt from the Amildars that "TUNISIA DAY" was observed in all the Taluk Head-quarters also.

P.T.O.

also.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
KADUR DIST.

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Letter NO. N.W.F.17/42 dated Chikmagalur 22nd May 1943 from the Deputy Commissioner, Kadur District, Chikmagalur to the Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore, Bangalore.

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With reference to your letter NO: 4953-51/C.B. dated 15th May 1943, I have the honor to state that "Tunisia Day" was celebrated in Chikmagalur as per instructions. Special prayers and religious services in the several temples, mosques and other places of worship here, were conducted and a sum of Rs. 98/- was allotted to the 14 institutions here. A grand parade and a procession had been arranged but unfortunately heavy down pour compelled us to restrict our programme. However, a parade was held and a procession was taken round the town. Sweets at a cost of Rs. 90/- were distributed to the school children. In anticipation of your kind approval - the cost was met out of Rs. 200/- sanctioned to this District. The authorities of the local Poor House were requested to - give a special dinner to the inmates of the Poor House. The school Authorities conducted the sports events and Mr. M.L. Manjunatha Setty of Messrs. M. Lachia Setty & Sons., generously donated Rs. 25/- for the distribution of prizes to the Primary School children. A sum of Rs. 12/- was spent towards flowers and band. In the evening at 6 'O' clock a public meeting was held and speeches were delivered by Messrs. S. Venkataramia Secretary, National War Front Committee, B. Suryanarayana Rao Head Master, Viswavidyala School, Vasey, Urdu School Master, in Kanarese and Urdu and the meeting concluded with a speech by the President, and prayer for early allied victory and peace, and National Anthem was sung at the conclusion. Inspite of the bad weather the meeting was well attended. It is proposed to give a - small prize to the student who writes the best essary on the Tunisian Victory. A copy of the programme is herewith submitted for kind perusal.

Instructions regarding distribution of money to the Taluks also for conducting special prayers etc., was received late and no money was sent to the Taluks but the Amildars and the Municipal Presidents had been instructed previously to

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observe "Tunisia Day" and to have special prayers and religious services conducted for early victory of the Allies and to hold public meetings.

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DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
Kadur Dist.

Proceedings of the Meeting of the Members of the National War Front, Kadur District, and other influential Members of Chikmagalur Town, held in the Meeting Hall of the Kadur District Board Office, Chikmagalur on Tuesday the 18th May 1943 at 10 A.M.

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Present:-

1) G.N. Nagaraja Rao, Esq., M.Sc.,
Deputy Commissioner, Kadur District
2) S.N. Ramanna, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
President, Kadur District Board
3) M. Mallaraja Urs, Esq., B.Sc.,
Assistant Director of Agriculture
4) K. Venkata Rao, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
District Education Officer, Kadur District
5) C. Subba Rao, Esq., M.Sc.,(Hons.).,
Head Master, Government High School, Chikmagalur.
6) Louis DeSouza, Esq., M.A.(Cantab).,
Sub Division Officer, Chikmagalur
7) T. Narayana Iyengar, Esq., B.A., B.E.,
Executive Engineer, Kadur Division, Chikmagalur
8) C.D. Chandrasekar, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Officer, Chikmagalur Municipality
9) Manjanatha Setty, Esq.,
10) M.A. Khaliuq, Esq.,
11) H.N. Munisy Rao
12) S. Venkataramiah, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
13) Shankar Rao, Esq., Inspector of Police, Chikmagalur.

Read:-

Letter NO. 4943-51/C.B. dated 15th May 1943 from the Chief Secretary to the Government of Mysore, Bangalore, to the Deputy Commissioner, Kadur District, Chikmagalur, regarding the celebration of Victory in North African Campaign on the 21st instant in response to His Ex Excellency the Viceroy's call Broadcasted on the 14th May 1943 on the people of India to observe May 21st as "TUNISIA DAY" to celebrate the Allies Victory in the North African Campaign.

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The following programme is approved:-

Morning:- Prayer and Pooja in Mosques, Temples and Churches

3 P.M., School children will gather in the respective schools and distribution of sweets.

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Programme(continued):-

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| 4-30 P.M. | Each Head Master will bring the children to the Town Hall and each Class Teacher will look of his Class children |
| 4-30 P.M. | Flag-Hoisting and March past. Procession starts. |
| 6 P.M. | Procession returns via Naidu Street, Jail Road, round the Taluk Office and Main Road. |
| 6-30 P.M. to 7 P.M. | SPEECHES. |

Rupees Ten(Rs. 10/-) will be ~~xxp~~ spent for flowers and Band. Rypees Ninty(Rs. 90/-) for sweets. The money will be placed at the disposal of the Municipal President. Sweet Boondi for about 2,000 children will be prepared and distributed in Donnes.

The Committee of Management Poor House, Chikmagalur, will be requested to arrange for a special feeding of the inmates.

The Head Masters of the Schools and the District Education Officer, are requested to arrange for sports competition in the morning on 21st May 1943 and arrange for the distribution of prizes.

The Town Hall will be illuminated in the evening and decorated suitably.

The Mysore Flag will be hoisted on all Public Buildings.

The District Education Officer will be requested to hold an Essay competition in each school and award prizes for the best descriptive essay about the celebration of "TUNISIA VICTORY DAY" in Chikmagalur and its significance.

The Mahila Samaj Members will be invited for the meeting. The Head Mistress of the Girls' Middle School will arrange for singing the Invocation and the National Anthem at the Assembly Meeting.

Mr. Manjanatha Setty of Messrs Lachiah Setty & Sons has promised a donation of Rs. 25/- towards sports compe-

competitions in Primary Schools. District Education Officer, will be requested to distribute the amount for giving prises.

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DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
Kadur District.

No.5473-74/CB

29th June 43

Subject: Celebration of Victory in North African Campaign on 21st May 1943.

Dear Sir,

I am desired to invite reference to this office letter No.4943-51/C.B. dated the 15th May 1943 and to the subsequent reminder No.5397-99/C.B. dated the 23rd June 1943 and to enquire when the report called for therein may be expected.

The favour of an early reply is requested.

Yours sincerely,

(By) M K Varadarajan

To

The Deputy Commissioner, Kolar Dist.
do. do. Mysore Dist. ✓

Reports have not yet been sent. Staff to pursue & another D.O. letter can be sent.
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OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
Mysore District,

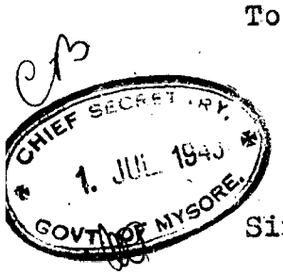
No.D.Dis.D1-3865/41-42. Mysore, dated the 30th June '43.

From

C.M.H.RANAJODHA SINGH, Esq., B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District,
Mysore.

To

V. VEDAVYASACHARYA, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.




Sir,

Celebration of Victory in North African Campaign.

Adverting to your Office Memo No.4943-51/C.B. dated the 15th May 1943, on the above subject, I have the honour to state that in accordance with the instructions conveyed therein all the Amildars, Sub Division Officers and Presidents of the Municipalities in the District and also the Organizer, Mysore National War Front were requested to observe the Tunisia Day on the 21st May 1943 and to arrange for the conduct of special prayers and religious services in all the important temples, Mosques and other places of worship. The sum of Rs.200/- placed at my disposal for defraying the expenses in connection with the celebrations was distributed among the several offices as per details noted in the accompanying memo with instructions to submit vouchers in support of the expenditure incurred.

The Amildars and the Presidents of Municipalities have reported that special pujas were conducted in all the important Muzrai Institutions and that special prayers were conducted in the educational institutions and short speeches were delivered by the leading members of the places to impress on the minds of the public the significance of the final defeat of the Axis Forces in Tunisia and the success of the Allies. Sweets were also distributed to the school children. Copies of the proceedings of the meetings held on the day resolving that the function of the day was successfully carried out wishing final victory to the allies are received in this office.

The Tunisia Day Celebrations were successfully conducted in the office of the Organizer and Chairman, National War Front, Mysore City on the 21st May 1943, and I was also present and addressed the audiance on the occasion.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
Mysore District.

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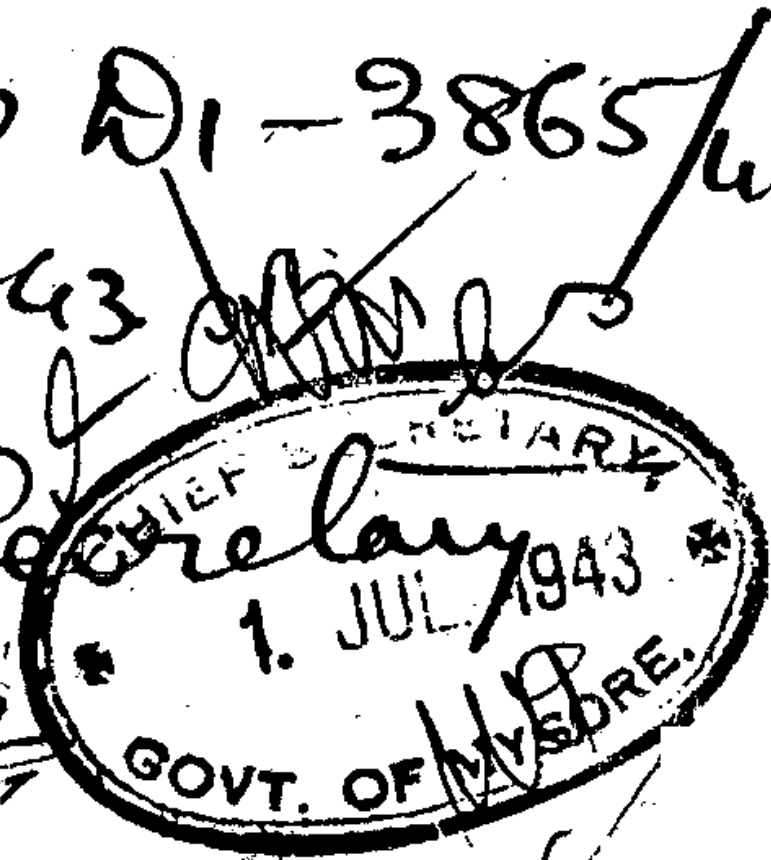
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER.
MYSORE DISTRICT.

Enclosures to D1-3865/41
dated 30-6-43
From
The Chief Secretary
to Govt
Bangalore



D1-3865/41-42.

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
Mysore, Dated the 18th May 1943.

MEMO.

The allotment of Rs.200/- sanctioned to this District for defraying the expenses connected with the celebrations of Victory in North African Campaign in G.O. No. 4943-51/C.B. dated 15th May 1943 is distributed among the several Taluks in the District as follows:-

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| 1. Mysore | Rs.30/- | 6. Nanjangud | Rs.25/- |
| 2. Krishnarajanagar | 20/- | 7. T.Narasipur. | 20/- |
| 3. Heggadadevankote | 15/- | 8. Chamarajanagar | 20/- |
| 4. Hunsur. | 20/- | 9. Yelandur. | 15/- |
| 5. Periyapatna. | 15/- | 10. Gundlupet. | 20/- |

(Total Rs.200/-)

For conduct of special sevas, prayers and services in the Sri Prasanna Nanjundeswaraswamy Temple and Jumma Masjid at Mysore and other Institutions as detailed below:-

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|---|---|---|
| MYSORE: | 1. Sri Prasanna Nanjundeswsraswamy Temple | Rs.5/- |
| | 2. Jumma Masjid. | 5/- |
| | 3. St. Phelomena Church. | 10/- |
| | 4. Prasanna Venkataramanaswamy Temple | 4/- |
| | 5. Prasanna Kothandaramaswamy Temple | 3/- |
| | 6. Subbarayа Doss Temple. | 3/- |
| | Total | Rs.30/- |

The amount should be utilised as per instfuctions conveyed in memo No. 4359-70/C.B. dated 17-5-43 from the Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore communicated to them in this office memo of even number dated 18th May 1943. The amount sanctioned to them may be advanced out of the Taluk Office imprest subject to its recoupment on receipt of R.T.R's that will be separately sent to them from this office. A detailed report on the celebrations with necessary vouchers in support of the expenditure incurred in this behalf should be submitted soon after the celebrations are concluded

(Sd) M. Narasimhaiah,
For Deputy Commissioner.

Copy of the enclosed is forwarded to all the Amildars in the District for information and necessary action.

Copy of the above is forwarded to the Presidents of all the Municipalities of the Taluk Head Quarter Towns in the District for information.

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For Deputy Commissioner, Mysore.

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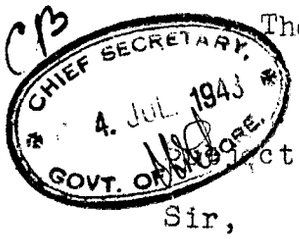
No. D.Dis.A2.C.3080/42-3. Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District,
Dated, Kolar the 2nd July 1943.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore.

Bangalore.




Subject:- Celebration of the " TUNISIA DAY " on 21st May 1943.

Sir,

With reference to your No.5397-99/ dated 15-5-43, calling for a short report on the above subject, I have the honour to state that a meeting of the Kolar District Advisory Committee of the National War Front was convened by me on 18-5-1943, and measures considered to celebrate the "Victory Day" in a befitting manner. Accordingly the Scbuts, Scouters, School Children, Girl guides, A.R.P. Wardens, leading citizens, Municipal Councillors, Head Masters of Educational Institutions, Members of the National War Front, all local officers in the District Headquarters, and Police officers assembled in front of the Sri Krishna Rajendra Silver Jubilee Hall, Kolar at 8-30 A.M. on 21st May 1943. All of us went in procession in the main streets of the town displaying Flags including those of the allies. The Secretary, District Scout Council, Kolar had arranged for the march past salute by the Scouts Police and Civic Guards. Therewas also police parade. Sweets were distributed to all the school children.

In the evening I presided over the Public meeting in the Jubilee hall, and addressed to the assembly in connection with the victory gained by the allies in North Africa and explained the object of celebrating the day. Short lectures were also delivered by Messrs. G.Girimaji Rao, M.L.C., K.V.Subrahmanyam, Secretary, Literary Union and V. Venkatasami Chetty, & Lokasevasakta Mr. I. Vema Reddy.

A resolution was passed in the meeting expressing great joy at the success of the allies and a copy is enclosed for kind perusal.

Instructions had been issued to conduct worship and special prayers in all the Temples and places of Public Worship and prayer in District Head Quarters and a sum of Rs.50/- was paid to meet the

expenses

expenses connected with it in several places. It is reported that special worship and prayers were all well conducted.

The balance of Rs.150/- was paid to the President, Municipal Council to meet the expenses connected with the celebrations.

In conclusion, I am glad to state that the " TUNISIA DAY " was celebrated with pomp when the great enthusiasm of the public was exhibited.

It is also reported that the Day was celebrated in some other Taluk Head Quarters also

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District.

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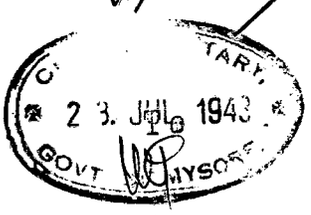
Office of the Deputy Commissioner
Bangalore District
Dated Bangalore, 20th July 1943.

From

R.P.Mallappa, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.




V.Vedavyasacharya, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government
of Mysore, Bangalore.

S i r,

With reference to your letter No.9 C.B. dated 3rd July 43, I have the honour to state that the unspent amount of Re.1/- in connection with Tunisia Day received on 8-6-43 from the Amildar Kankanhally Taluq has been credited XIII Mis - 4 Mis - Other receipts " in Bangalore Taluq Treasury on 16-7-43 under C.No. 2427.

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant

Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

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